

**Series:** Seek

**Title:** Great Commandment

**Text:** Matthew 22:37-40

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1 Corinthians [13:13](#)

Deuteronomy [6:4-5](#)

*Let's analyze Paul's use of the word "seek" in reference to love and discover how the experience of God's love works in our lives...*

### **1. THE PRINCIPLE OF SELF-CENTEREDNESS**

1 Corinthians [13:5](#)

"New life and healing can come to us only when we begin to find purpose in pursuing not our self-centered aims but the glory of God himself...." **Ronald Wallace**

### **2. THE PRINCIPLE OF SELFLESSNESS**

"There are in this world only two kinds of people -- those who always insist upon their privileges and those who always remember their responsibilities; those who are always thinking of what life owes them and those who never forget what they owe to life."

**William Barclay**

1 Corinthians [10:24](#)

1 Corinthians [10:33](#)

"Christian love is not a mere pious sentiment, it is a self-sacrificing lifestyle that seeks, perhaps at great cost, the good of fellow members of the family God." **Ian Hamilton**

### **3. THE PRINCIPLE OF SERVICE**

1 Corinthians [14:12](#)

"When one is in public worship, the paramount concern must be how all the believers should be built up and not how someone or a small group may selfishly benefit by the public experience. In Christian worship the individual worshiper ought to be concerned how he or she can spiritually benefit others by what he or she does and says." **Spiros Zodhiates**