

# CONFIDENCE IN THE CHAOS



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### The One Thing:

Jesus provides us with an ideal \_\_\_\_\_ for what love without limits looks like. Through the Holy Spirit's \_\_\_\_\_, we can learn to love the unlovely, the hurtful, and the haters, \_\_\_\_\_.

### Introduction:

Jesus gives us an ideal prescription of what radical \_\_\_\_\_ requires and \_\_\_\_\_ like.

1. Love without limits is being \_\_\_\_\_ and full of grace when \_\_\_\_\_.

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**Romans 12:20** On the contrary: "If your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink. In doing this, you will heap burning coals on his head."

2. Love without limits \_\_\_\_\_ a multitude of sins when \_\_\_\_\_.

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**1 Peter 4:8** Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins.

3. Love without limits comes from \_\_\_\_\_ who is \_\_\_\_\_.

**Matthew 5:48** Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

**Romans 8:3-4** For what the law was powerless to do because it was weakened by the flesh, God did by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh to be a sin offering. And so he condemned sin in the flesh, <sup>4</sup> in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fully met in us, who do not live according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

Beatles Song: "All We Need Is Love" – Yes, it's \_\_\_\_\_,  
but what we need is the \_\_\_\_\_ kind of love, the kind  
Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ in Matthew 5:43-48.