

So now faith, **hope**, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

1 Corinthians 13:13

Over the next 3 weeks we will be unpacking 1 Corinthians 13:13; specifically, faith, hope and love. To complement Sunday's message, we will do a word study on each of these words over the next 3 weeks. The template below will guide you through the word study. Find a partner and travel through this together leaving the remaining 20 mins of your meeting time for group discussion.

PRAY: Ask God to illuminate His word

WORD STUDY (40 mins)

Word: Hope

**Dictionary Definition:** 

Synonyms:

Antonyms:

**Bible usages:** (Find 8 passages with "hope" in it. Make note of context and who was using the word):

Bible meaning: (In your 8 verses, the word may have been used in differing ways. Categorize these verses into two categories; Legitimate uses, harmful usesi.e. "their hope was in the Lord" or "they did not have hope")
Summarize what you have learned about the word:
DISCUSSION (20 mins)
What most resonated with you when studying this word?
2. In light of what you have learned, how does this word relate to the Gospel and the glory of God?
3. How does our culture use this word and how does the Bible use this word?
4. When you begin to think about God's design for family and then you think about your own family, why do you think hope is so important?