

Step	Meaning	What it shows about love
Protects	Shields others	Love cares for people
Trusts	Believes the best	Love gives people grace
Hopes	Expects good	Love sees God's future
Perseveres	Keeps going	Love never gives up

Protects→ Trusts→ Hopes → Endures

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The structure reminds leaders that:

- Impressive ministry is not enough
- Unity across cultures requires love
- Spiritual gifts must be guided by loving character.

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Spiritual Gifts (Chapter 12)



Love (Chapter 13)



Healthy Use of Gifts (Chapter 14)

Gifts must be governed by love produced by the Spirit.

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David points 1 and 2

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3. Leading in Love Means we Hope

ἐλπίζει (elpizō)

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Hope means:

- Believing God is building one body across cultures.
- Encouraging young people who feel disconnected from church.
- Believing restoration is possible for those who fall.

Love looks at people through God's future, not their past

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4. Leading in love Means we Persevere

ὑπομένει (hypomenō)

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Perseverance means:

- Persisting through language barriers.
- Continuing dialogue between generations.
- Staying faithful during seasons of slow growth.

Love stays when it would be easier to leave

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Pastoral Leadership Ethic of Leading in Love.

Greek word	Meaning	Leadership expression
stegō	cover / protect	create a safe church culture
pisteuō	trust / believe	assume the best in people
elpizō	hope	see God's future in people
hypomenō	endure	stay committed through difficulty

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