



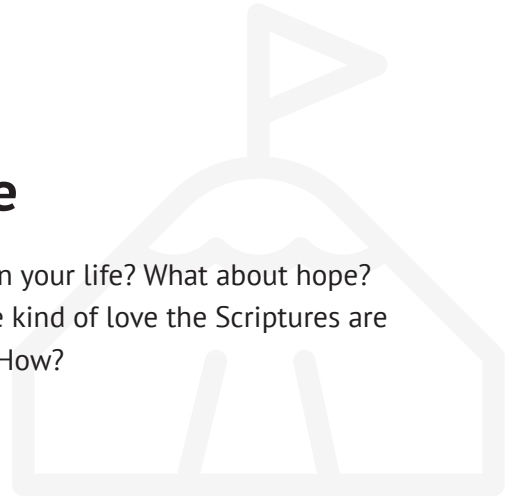
SUMMARY | We often see things grouped in threes in Scripture—the Trinity, Jesus’s inner circle of three disciples, and so on. In this series from Discover the Word, we invite you to join us in discovering another group of three—the “big three” of faith, hope, and love—and how they work together to form New Testament higher ground.

This Week’s Discussion Questions

1. Read Colossians 1:4–5. How does Paul see the “big three” evidenced in the lives of the Christ-followers at Colossae?
2. Now read 1 Thessalonians 1:2–3. How does Paul see the “big three” evidenced in the lives of the Christ-followers at Thessalonica? How do verses 2–3 line up well with verses 9–10 of 1 Thessalonians 1?
3. In Hebrews 10:22–24, how do the “big three” engage the people of Christ in both their worship of God and their service of one another?
4. By far the most familiar statement of the “big three” is found in 1 Corinthians 13, specifically verse 13. What makes love rise above faith and hope? How do faith and hope support love?

Challenge

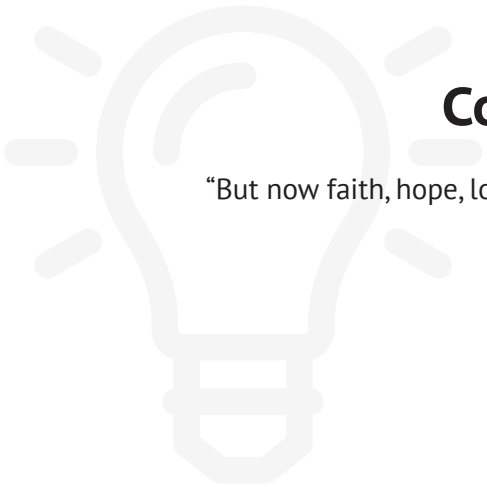
What are some ways faith can be made visible in your life? What about hope? Love seems the more natural of the three, but the kind of love the Scriptures are discussing is different. How?



Commit To Memory

“But now faith, hope, love, abide these three; but the greatest of these is love”.

1 Corinthians 13:13 (NASB)



Prayer

Father, I pray that You would help me to walk by faith in a world filled with unknowns. Help me to live expectantly in hope in discouraging times. And allow the love You have given me to shine into the lives of those around me.
Amen.

