

1 Corinthians 13:8-13

“...where there are prophecies...where there are tongues...where there is knowledge...” Why does Paul pick up these three things in verse 8?

What might he have talked about if he had been writing to Magdalen Road Church?

Some people have suggested that Paul is saying that tongues and prophecy (along with the other more miraculous gifts) will soon disappear from the church - and that this actually happened within a generation or so. (See attached notes on cessationism). How do you react to this idea? Do you agree?

How does Paul contrast the present and the future in these verses?

How does that make you feel about the future?

What excites you? What do you look forward to?

Does anything put you off the future Paul describes here?

Why is love “the greatest” according to Paul? What does that tell us about the Christian hope for the future?