Love Persists

1 Corinthians 13:4-8 Love is patient, love is kind *and* is not jealous; love does not brag *and* is not arrogant, 5 does not act unbecomingly; it does not seek its own, is not provoked, does not take into account a wrong *suffered,* 6 does not rejoice in unrighteousness, but rejoices with the truth; 7 bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, **endures all things. 8 Love never fails**.

1. **We _____ with others in their struggles.**
    1 Corinthians 13:7 [Love] endures all things.

    Job 14:1-2 How frail is humanity! How short is life, how full of trouble! ^{2} We blossom like a flower and then wither. Like a passing shadow, we quickly disappear.

    God loves this way!
    Hebrews 13:5-6 [God] has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you." ^{6} So we can confidently say, "The Lord is my helper; I will not fear; what can man do to me?"

2. **We _____ for others when the load's too heavy to carry alone.**
    1 Corinthians 13:7 [Love] endures all things.
    -   "endure" comes from a compound Greek word that means to "remain under."
    -   Galatians 6**:**2 Bear one another's burdens, and thereby fulfill the law of Christ.

3. **We _____ others when they can't defend themselves.**
    1 Corinthians 13:7-8 [Love] bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. 8 Love never fails…
    -   "Fails" comes from a Greek word that means falls down.
    -   Real love doesn't fall down.
    -   The word infers the one we love has fallen down, but we stand firm.

4. **We _____ others when they fail.**

1 Corinthians 13:7-8 [Love] bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. 8 Love never fails…
- Our love doesn't fail even when the one loved does fail.
- Galatians 6:1-2 Brethren, even if anyone is caught in any trespass, you who are spiritual, restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness; *each one* looking to yourself, so that you too will not be tempted. 2 Bear one another's burdens, and thereby fulfill the law of Christ.

- When it comes to sin in others, our goal should always be _____.

Further Thought:
- Do you have a love for others that endures?
- Do you know someone who needs you to help carry their load?
What would be necessary for you to rebuild others when they fail?