

What Is Love? - Lesson 7

| 4 Words for Love | Agape Love | Expression of Love |
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| <p>eros - not used in the Bible</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - erotic - passion - focused on self - weakest - looks for what it can get - conditional <p>Storge - in Bible it is only used in the negative</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - II Timothy 3:3 - natural love - built in ability to love - it is a love that can be changed by abuse - mother has for her child - movement of your soul towards . . . <p>Phileo - brotherly, companion love</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Titus 2:4 - something that can be taught - companionable love, shows affection, fondness, liking - it gives as well as receives - but when strained it can collapse <p>Agape - love that comes from God</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - it demands nothing - it is an act of the will - not a feeling - delights in giving even when nothing is given in return - unconditional | <p>Sacrificial love</p> <p>John 3:16</p> <p>John 15:13 - love that is willing to lay down one's life for another</p> <p>I John 4:7-21</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - love comes through God - love that God has for us - we show His love by loving one another - If we are unwilling to agape love - then God's love is not in us <p>I Thes 4:9-10</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - we are taught by God to love and we must practice that | <p>I Cor 13:4-8</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - patient - kind - is not jealous - doesn't boast - isn't arrogant - doesn't act rude - doesn't seek its own - provoked - doesn't hold a grudge - rejoices in truth - bears all things - believes all things - hopes all things - endures all things - love never fails |

Choosing To Love

| Battle | Solution | Practicality |
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| <p>Prov 4:23 - watch over our hearts - they are the springs of life - watch what put into our minds</p> <p>Prov 23:7 - as you think, so you are (Phil 4:8 - Phil 4:4-9)</p> <p>Mt 15:18-19 - evil thoughts are in the mind Mt 5:28 - to look continually you have already committed the act</p> <p>Job 31:1-11 - let our minds direct our eyes</p> <p>II Cor 10:3-6 - battle is for the mind</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Satan versus God - weapons are spiritual - come from God - our sword is the Word of God - destroying every lofty thing raised against God | <p>II Cor 10:3-6 - bring every thought captive to the obedience of Christ</p> <p>Phil 4:8</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - true - honorable (worshipful) - just (right) - pure - lovely - good repute (well-spoken of) - excellence - worthy of praise - dwell on those things | <p>memorize Phil 4:8</p> <p>memorize Scripture</p> <p>don't let your mind dwell on bad things</p> <p>singing music - praise songs/hymns</p> <p>Romans 12:1-2 - be transformed by the renewing of our minds - reading God's Word</p> |