

***LOVE***

***WHAT IS IT?***

***WHAT DOES IT LOOK LIKE?***

***CAN I HAVE IT AND IF SO HOW?***



# LOVE

## *1 John 3:1*

*<sup>1</sup> Behold what manner of love the Father has given unto us, (repeat)  
that we should be called children of God! (repeat)*



# LOVE

*1 John 4:7-8*

*Beloved, let us love one another, for love is of God and everyone that loveth is born of God and knoweth God. He that loveth not, knoweth not God for God is love. Beloved, let us love one another. First John four, seven and eight.*



***LOVE***

***Our spiritual maturity can be  
assessed by this marker.***



# ***LOVE***

*Hebrew – Yada.*

*Greek -Eros*

*English – Erotic or sexual love*



# ***LOVE***

*Hebrew – ahabah*

*Greek – phileo*

*English – brotherly love, friendship*



# ***LOVE***

*Hebrew – ahabah*

*Greek – storge*

*English – Family or tribal love*



# *LOVE*

Hebrew – chesed

Greek – agape

English – Steadfast, loving-kindness,  
unconditional





# **LOVE – CHESED**

## ***Numbers 14:18 (ESV)***

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# **LOVE – CHESED**

## ***Numbers 14:18 (ESV)***

*<sup>18</sup> ‘The LORD is slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, forgiving iniquity and transgression, but he will by no means clear the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children, to the third and the fourth generation.’*



# ***AGAPE LOVE – Paul***

## ***1 Corinthians 13:4-8 (CSBBible)***

*<sup>4</sup> Love is patient, love is kind. Love does not envy, is not boastful, is not arrogant, <sup>5</sup> is not rude, is not self-seeking, is not irritable, and does not keep a record of wrongs.*



# **AGAPE LOVE**

*<sup>6</sup> Love finds no joy in unrighteousness but rejoices in the truth. <sup>7</sup> It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. <sup>8</sup> Love never ends...*



# ***AGAPE LOVE - John***

## ***1 John 3:16-18 (NASB)***

*<sup>16</sup> We know love by this, that He laid down His life for us; and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren.*



# ***AGAPE LOVE – John***

*17 But whoever has the world's goods, and sees his brother in need and closes his heart against him, how does the love of God abide in him?*

*18 Little children, let us not love with word or with tongue, but in deed and truth.*



# ***AGAPE LOVE – Jesus***

***John 15:13 (NLT2)***

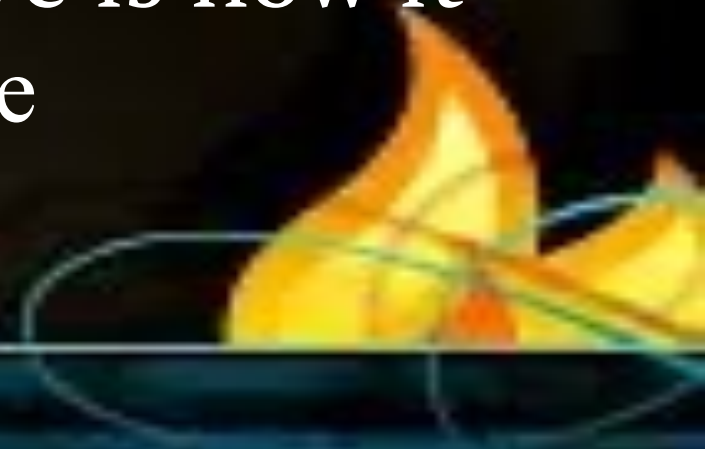
*<sup>13</sup> There is no greater love than to lay down one's life for one's friends.*



# ***AGAPE LOVE***

We would have a healthier conception of love if we understood that love, like parenting or friendship, is a feeling that expresses itself in action. What we really feel is reflected in what we do. The poet's song is dazzling and the passion powerful, but the deepest beauty of love is how it changes lives.

Rabbi David Wolpe





**Mother of 3 Loses  
Her Life While  
Trying to Save 10-  
Year-Old Son  
From Drowning**



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### III. How does one acquire agape love?

#### A. Receive Jesus

