

God So Loved the World

Love is a powerful emotion and also a powerful action. You can feel love in your heart and mind, but you can also show love through your actions. The Bible mentions four different types of love. Agape love is the love God has for all humankind. Philia represents brotherly love like that between best friends or fellow Christians. Storge is the type of love one has for their family members and Eros love is romantic. This is reserved for those who decide to enter into marriage between a man and woman according to God's design.

Question Time:

1. What is Agape love?
2. What is Eros love?
3. What is Philio love?
4. What is Storge love?
5. What city in the United States is called the City of Brotherly love?

Scripture:

2 Peter 1:7 and to godliness, mutual affection; and to mutual affection, love.

Romans 5:8 But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

John 3:16 For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son that who so ever believeth in him shall not perish, but shall have everlasting life.

1 Corinthians 13:4-8 New International Version (NIV)

⁴Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. ⁵It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. ⁶Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. ⁷It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

⁸Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away.

Next Steps: Make list of the things you can do to show your love for your brother, sister, mother or father. It can be as simple as clean your room. Do a chore for your brother or sister without them knowing, like making their bed for them. What kind of love is this?