

BIBLICAL LOVE

STORGE and PHILIA



GREEK WORDS FOR LOVE

- EROS

Romantic, passionate love. Strong physical and/or emotional attraction and feelings of euphoria.

- LUDUS


Playful love without commitment.
All about passion and having fun with each other.

- MANIA

Obsessive love characterized by jealousy or possessiveness.
Dramatic emotional highs and lows

- PRAGMA

Practical, unromantic love.
A partnership based on similar interests and goals.
May involve searching for a person for specific reasons,
such as to produce children, arranged marriages, royal marriages



- STORGE

An empathy bond that grows slowly out of pragmatism and is based on similar interests and commitment to one another not passion.

Family members or people who relate in familiar ways

- PHILIA

A friend bond, often translated "brotherly love", "friendship" or affection.

The complete opposite is called a phobia.

- AGAPE

Selfless, altruistic love. Spiritual.

Often experienced as a parent.

The purest form of love

1 Corinthians 13:4-8 TPT



4 Love is large and incredibly patient.

Love is gentle and consistently kind to all.

It refuses to be jealous when blessing comes to someone else.

Love does not brag about one's achievements nor inflate its own importance.



5 Love does not traffic in shame and disrespect,
nor selfishly seek its own honour.

Love is not easily irritated or quick to take offense.

6 Love joyfully celebrates honesty and finds no delight in what is wrong.

7 Love is a safe place of shelter, for it never stops believing the best for others.

Love never takes failure as defeat, for it never gives up.

8 Love never stops loving....



Love remains long after words of knowledge are forgotten"



how do you spell love?

- piglet



you don't spell it.

you feel it.

- pooh



- Love is a Verb!

Don't just feel it, don't just think about it, talk about it.
Do it, show it, give it to colleagues, friends, family and even to
our enemies

Luke 6:27-36 NIV

- "27 "But to you who are listening I say: Love your enemies, do
good to those who hate you,
28 bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you.
29 If someone slaps you on one cheek, turn to them the other
also. If someone takes your coat, do not withhold your shirt
from them.
30 Give to everyone who asks you, and if anyone takes what
belongs to you, do not demand it back.
31 Do to others as you would have them do to you.

Luke 6:27-36 NIV (Cont...)

32 “If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners love those who love them.

33 And if you do good to those who are good to you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners do that.

34 And if you lend to those from whom you expect repayment, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, expecting to be repaid in full.

35 But love your enemies, do good to them, and lend to them without expecting to get anything back. Then your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High, because he is kind to the ungrateful and wicked.

36 Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful..”

Romans 5:10 CEV

Even when we were God's enemies, he made peace with us, because his Son died for us.

Yet something even greater than friendship is ours.

Now that we are at peace with God, we will be saved by his Son's life.

1 John 3:1-2 NIV

1 See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are! The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him.

2 Dear friends, now we are children of God,

- **STORGE**

An empathy bond that grows slowly out of Pragma
And

- **PHILIA**

A friend bond, "brotherly love",

We can see these two words combined as Philostorgos in Rom
12:10

Romans 12:10 MEV

10 Be devoted (philostorgoi) to one another with brotherly
love (Philadelphia); prefer one another in honour

5387 philóstorgos (from 5384 /phílos, "lover, friend" and
storgē, "natural or family love")

Means "devoted love, shown by family-members" and is that
special affection shared between members of God's family -
people born-again (divinely adopted) and serving the same
(heavenly) Father!

- **PHILOSOPHY**

is a combination of two Greek words,
Philein Sophia,
meaning lover of wisdom

**I found some Wisdom quotes
I'd like to share.**

*"People come into your life for a Reason,
a Season or a Lifetime."*

*"You don't meet people by accident,
there is always a reason, a blessing or a lesson"*

*"Sometimes people come into your life
for a moment, a day or a Lifetime
It matters not the time they spent with you,
but how they impacted your life in that time."*

- What does the Bible say about friendship?



Proverbs 18:19

"An offended friend is harder to win back than a fortified city.
Arguments separate friends like a gate locked with bars."

Proverbs 27:6,9

"Wounds from a sincere friend are better than many kisses from an
enemy.

The heartfelt counsel of a friend is as sweet as perfume and incense."

Proverbs 27:17

"As iron sharpens iron, so a friend sharpens a friend."

Proverbs 20:6

"Many will say they are loyal friends, but who can find one who is truly
reliable?"

Proverbs 17:17

"A friend is always loyal, and a brother is born to help in time of need."



Proverbs 18:24



“A man who has friends must show himself
friendly,
and there is a friend who sticks closer than
a brother.”

- Jesus is that friend
who sticks closer than a Brother



**DO YOU NEED ASSURANCE YOU ARE GOD'S CHILD,
AND A BROTHER OR SISTER OF JESUS?**

Romans 8:28-29

"28 And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.

29 For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters."

Mark 12:30

Jesus said the Greatest Command is

"Love The Lord Your God with all your heart, soul, mind and strength."

DO YOU WANT TO KNOW FOR SURE YOU ARE JESUS' FRIEND?

John 15:12-17 NIV

"12 My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you.

13 Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends.

14 You are my friends if you do what I command.

15 I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you.

16 You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will last—and so that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you.

17 This is my command: Love each other.

Mark 12:31

Jesus said the 2nd Greatest Command was
"Love your Neighbour as you love yourself"

- **God's love...**

- AGAPE - God's Saving Sacrificial love

John 3:16-17

"16 For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have eternal life.

17 For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved."

1 John 4:18

"There is no fear in love.
But perfect love drives out fear, because fear has to do
with punishment.

The one who fears is not made perfect in love. "

1 Corinthians 13:4-8 CEV

4 Love is kind and patient, never jealous, boastful, proud, or

5 rude. Love isn't selfish or quick tempered.

It doesn't keep a record of wrongs that others do.

6 Love rejoices in the truth, but not in evil.

7 Love is always supportive, loyal, hopeful, and trusting.

8 Love never fails!

1 Peter 4:8

"Most of all, love one another deeply. Love erases many sins by forgiving them"

GOD'S LOVE IS BOTH PROACTIVE AND ACTIVE!

1 John 4:19 NIV

"We love because he first loved us."

2 Corinthians 5:20 TPT

"...So we tenderly plead with you on Christ's behalf,
'Turn back to God and be reconciled to him'"

Let's Pray

Dear Loving Father in Heaven I need You
I am humbly calling out to You
I admit I am a sinner and need your forgiveness;
I believe that Jesus Christ died in my place
paying the penalty for my sins
and rose again to give me new life.

I am willing right now
to turn from my sin and accept Jesus Christ
as my personal Lord and Saviour.

I invite you, Jesus, into my life
Be my Best Friend who sticks closer
Than a brother

I'm tired of doing things my way
Help me to start doing things Your way.

I commit myself to you and ask you
to send the Holy Spirit into my life,
to fill me, to lead and to guide me,

Fill the emptiness within me
and make me whole.

Lord help me to trust You

Help me to love You

Help me to live for You

and love others like you do

Help me to understand Your love,

Your grace, Your mercy, and Your peace

Help me become

The kind of person you want me to be.

Thank you Father for loving me.

in Jesus' name. Amen