



Week 1: All You Need is Love

READ: MATTHEW 22:36-39

LOVE IS...

Write down some definitions of love in the space below

In the bible there are different kinds of love mentioned in the Bible..

1. AGAPE
2. EROS
3. PHILIA
4. STORGE

Look at the definitions below and see if you can match them to the 4 types of love above.

- A. Love which seeks the highest good of others – not just friends and family, but even of enemies.
- B. Love shown within a family.
- C. Love that is sexual/romantic/erotic.
- D. Love that is shown to friends.

Circle the correct answers below...

1 = A B C D 2 = A B C D 3 = A B C D 4 = A B C D

Do you know which is the most widely used word for love in the Bible?
It is Agape love. This is the love that God shows to us.

A DIFFERENT KIND OF LOVE

See the 'Different Kinds of Love' worksheet on the next page with four scenarios and decide what kind of love is shown in each scene.

Different Kinds of Love

The Bible tells us that there are four main types of love. They are called:

- A **STORGE** – Family love
- B **EROS** – Romantic love
- C **PHILIA** – Friendship love
- D **AGAPE** – sacrificial, unconditional love

Match the type of love below with one of the scenarios below:

..1..

Will has been bullied at school and is having a really tough time. He's struggling with his GCSE coursework in most subjects, apart from Physics, where he's a virtual genius... His scientific ability has partly led to his reputation as a geek and the butt of jokes around his year. One break time he overhears how Kev, one of the main lads picking on him, is way behind on his Physics coursework. For some reason Will decides to offer Kev some help. On the way home from school Will catches up with Kev and plucks up the courage to give him a hand with his Physics coursework. Kev is gobsmacked...

STORGE

EROS

PHILIA

AGAPE

..2..

Lucy and Rob have been going out since year 10 they're now about to do their AS exams and think about which university to go to. They're so smitten with each other that they're intent on trying to pick the same university, even if it means not choosing their preferred course. In college they text each other non-stop, enough to make their mates spew...

STORGE

EROS

PHILIA

AGAPE

..3..

Mike's little brother James has recently moved up to his school, he's in year 7 and really nervous about starting secondary school. He was in a small village school before this, and now he's travelling into the nearest town, so this new school is really big. During James' first week Mike really looks out for his brother. He meets him briefly each break time to check he's OK and makes sure he knows where he's going for each lesson. Mike really helps James to settle into his new school smoothly.

STORGE

EROS

PHILIA

AGAPE

..4..

Whenever Sophie goes on holiday she always buys presents for her best friends Clare and Katie and she tries to send them a post card, so they have a clue about what she's been up to on holiday. When she gets home Clare and Katie are always the first people she calls or chats on MSN to.

STORGE

EROS

PHILIA

AGAPE

THE CHALLENGE

Write down one thing you are going to do this week to show God that you love him...

Write down one thing you can do to show Agape love to someone this week...

Persons name:

What you're going to do:

PRAY

1. Thank Jesus for the love he has shown you.
2. Ask God for help to demonstrate agape love to those around you.

NEXT WEEK

Genr8 is taking place in the church from 11.30am - 12.30pm in the small hall.

There are limited places so make sure you book a free place online by Saturday 19th September.

If you can join us, it would be great to see you. Also, watch out for details of power-up+ starting again soon!!!

