THE GIFT

JOHN 3:16



For God so LOVED the world, that He GAVE His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.

BIBLICAL LOVE

- Agape: the unconditional love of God for all mankind
- Eros: the romantic or sexual love between two people
- **Storge:** familial love between family members
- Philia: the deep affection and friendship shared between friends.

THE GREATEST GIFT

1 JOHN 3:1

See what great LOVE the Father has given us that we should be called God's children—and we are! The reason the world does not know us is that it didn't know Him.

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KNOW THE GIFT

1 JOHN 3:16-18

¹⁶This is how we have come to know LOVE: He laid down His life for us. We should also lay down our lives for our brothers and sisters. ¹⁷If anyone has this world's goods and sees a fellow believer in need but withholds compassion from him—how does God's LOVE reside in him? ¹⁸Little children, let us not LOVE in word or speech, but in action and in **truth**.

1 JOHN 5:3-4

³For this is what love for God is: to keep His commands. And His commands are not a burden, ⁴because everyone who has been born of God conquers the world. This is the victory that has conquered the world: our faith.

LOVE THE GIFT THAT KEEPS GIVING

MATTHEW 22:37-40

³⁷ He said to him, "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.³⁸ This is the greatest and most important command. ³⁹ The second is like it: Love your neighbor as yourself. ⁴⁰ All the Law and the Prophets depend on these two commands."

1 JOHN 4:7-9

⁷Dear friends, let us love one another, because love is from God, and everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God.⁸The one who does not love does not know God, because God is love. ⁹God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his one and only Son into the world so that we might live through Him.

1 JOHN 4:10-12

¹⁰Love consists in this: not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. ¹¹Dear friends, if God loved us in this way, we also must love one another. ¹²No one has ever seen God. If we love one another, God remains in us and His love is made complete in us.

BE THE GIFT GIVER