Love is ...

1 Corinthians 13

Part 6



LOVE epithumia strong desire of any kind



LOVE

eros

romance - sensual love

epithumia eros

LOVE storge

natural affection and a sense of belonging to each other comfortable, old shoe relationship parents and children; brothers and sisters atmosphere of security

epithumia eros storge

phileo

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brotherly love - sharing, communication, friendship, companionship cherish, have tender affection

epithumia eros storge



LOVE

agape

totally unselfish love that has the capacity to give and keep on giving without expecting anything in return **love of action, not emotion**

15 Characteristics of genuine love ...

- **1.** Love is PATIENT "charity suffereth long"
- **2.** Love is KIND "and is kind"
- **3. Love is NOT JEALOUS** "charity envies not"
- **4.** Love does NOT BRAG "charity vaunts not itself"
- **5.** Love is NOT ARROGANT "is not puffed up"
- 6. Love is NOT RUDE "does not behave itself unseemly"
- 7. Love is NOT SELFISH "seeks not her own"



Characteristic #8 Love is NOT Irritable

1 Corinthians 13:5

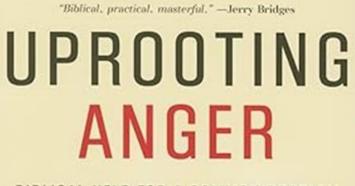
"is not easily provoked" Provoked – to arouse to anger; a sudden burst of emotion



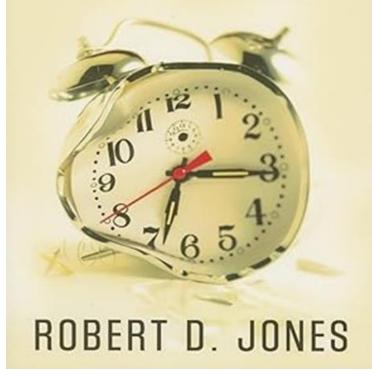
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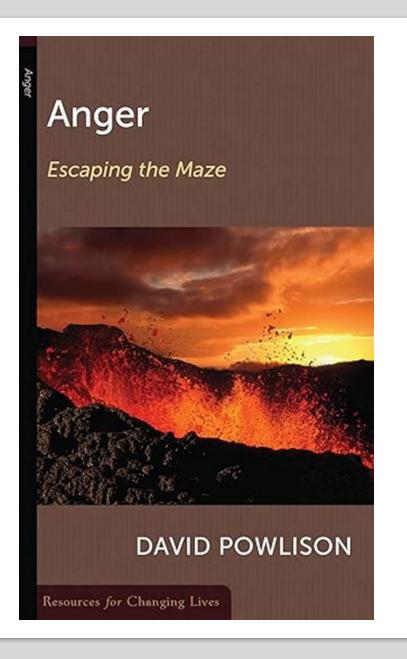
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"is not easily provoked" Love guards against being irritated, upset or angered by things said or done against it. "Lovelessness is the cause of temper, and love is the only cure."



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Characteristic #9 Love is NOT Vindictive

1 Corinthians 13:5

"thinketh no evil"

Does not - take into account - a wrong suffered

Love does not forgive & forget, but rather remembers & still forgives.

"To love at all is to be vulnerable. Love anything, and your heart will certainly be wrung and possibly be broken. If you want to make sure of keeping it intact, you must give your heart to no one, not even to an animal. Wrap it carefully round with hobbies and little luxuries; avoid all entanglements; lock it up safe in the casket or coffin of your selfishness. But in that casket—safe, dark, motionless, airless—it will change. It will not be broken; it will become unbreakable, impenetrable, irredeemable."

The Four Loves, C.S. Lewis



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Forgiveness

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Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

Ephesians 4:29-32