

Joy in Loving the Brethren
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1 Corinthians 13:1-13 May 26, 2024

Life Change: We agape one another

We've been given superpowers

This is family business

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Love is Essential 1 Cor. 13:1-3

Tongues of men and angels

Knowledge and faith

Sacrifice

Love is Edifying

- Agape is patient
- Agape is kind
- Agape is not jealous
- Agape is not boastful
- · Agape is not proud
- · Agape is not rude
- Agape is not selfish/self-seeking
- · Agape is not easily angered
- Agape is not resentful
- Agape does not rejoice in unrighteousness
- · Agape rejoices with the truth
- Agape bears all things
- Agape hopes all things
- Agape endures all things

Love Endures 1 Cor. 13:8-13





Give











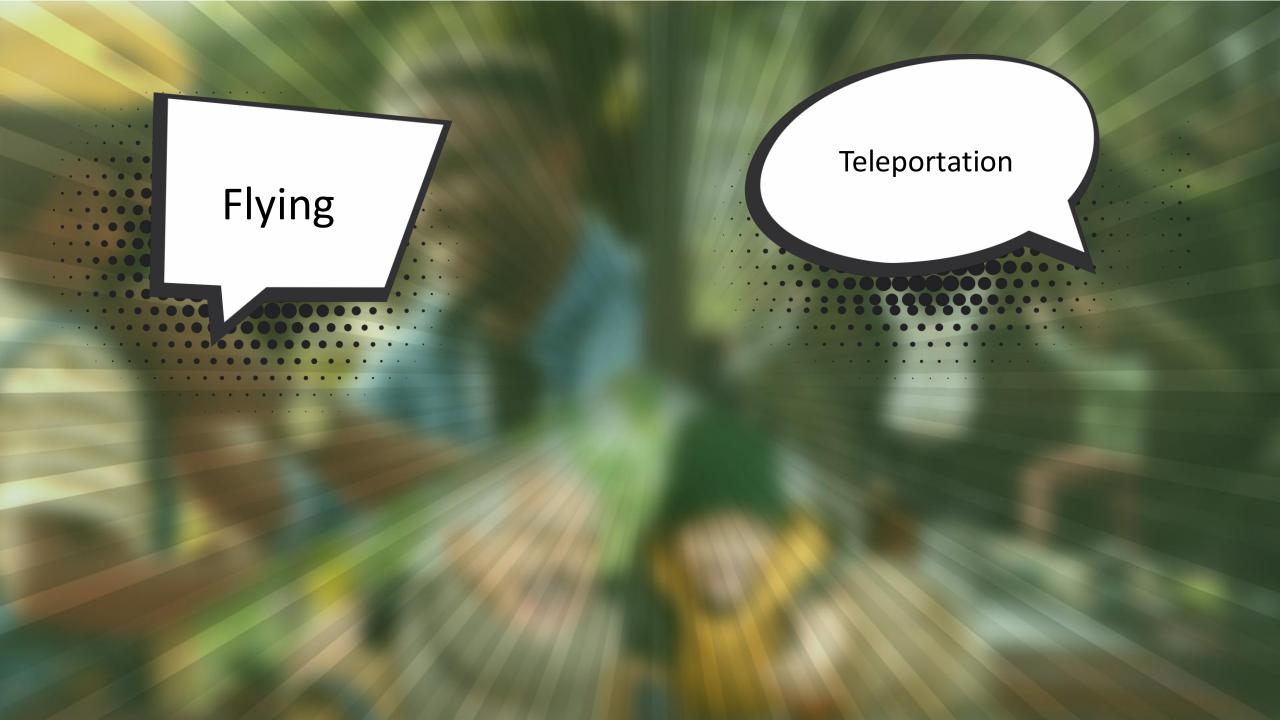


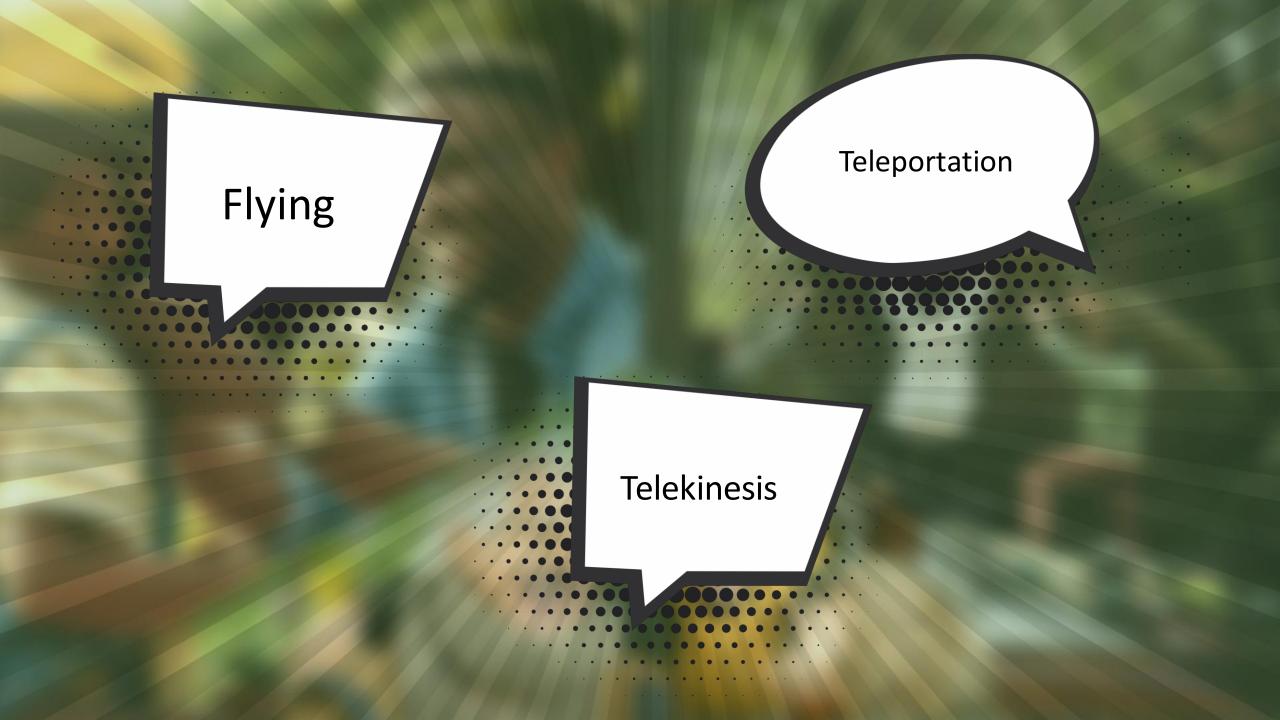
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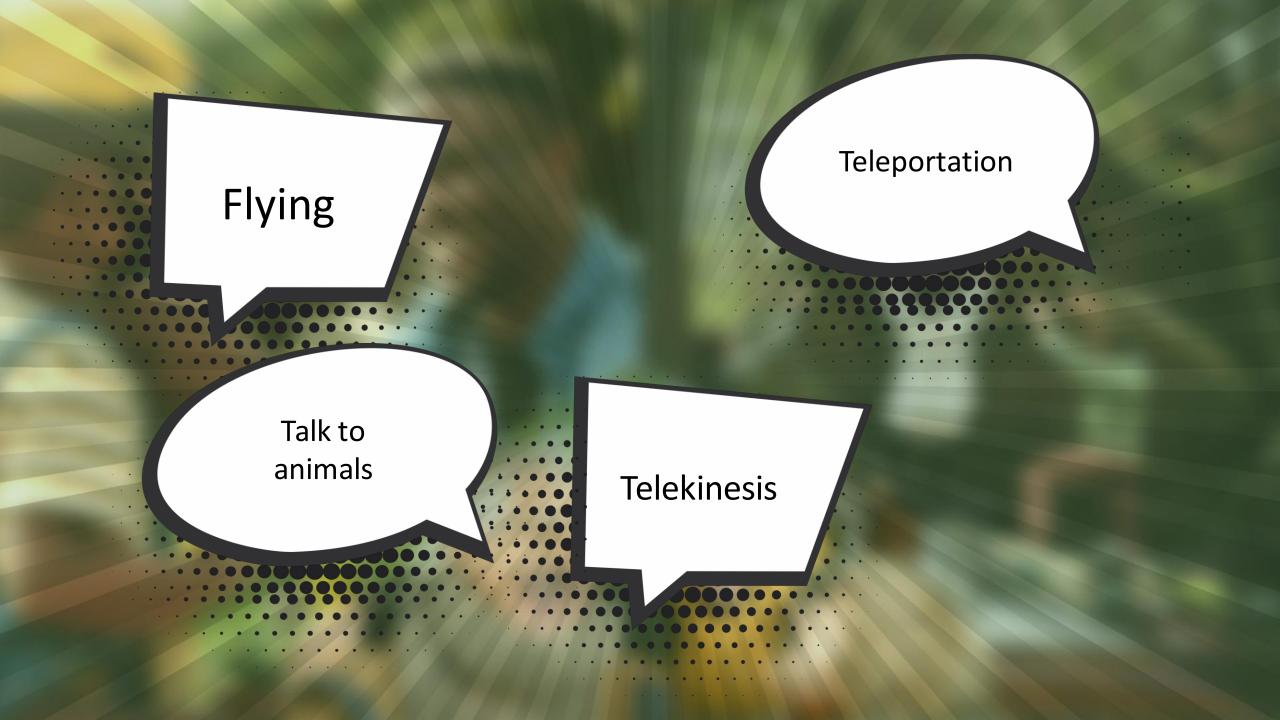


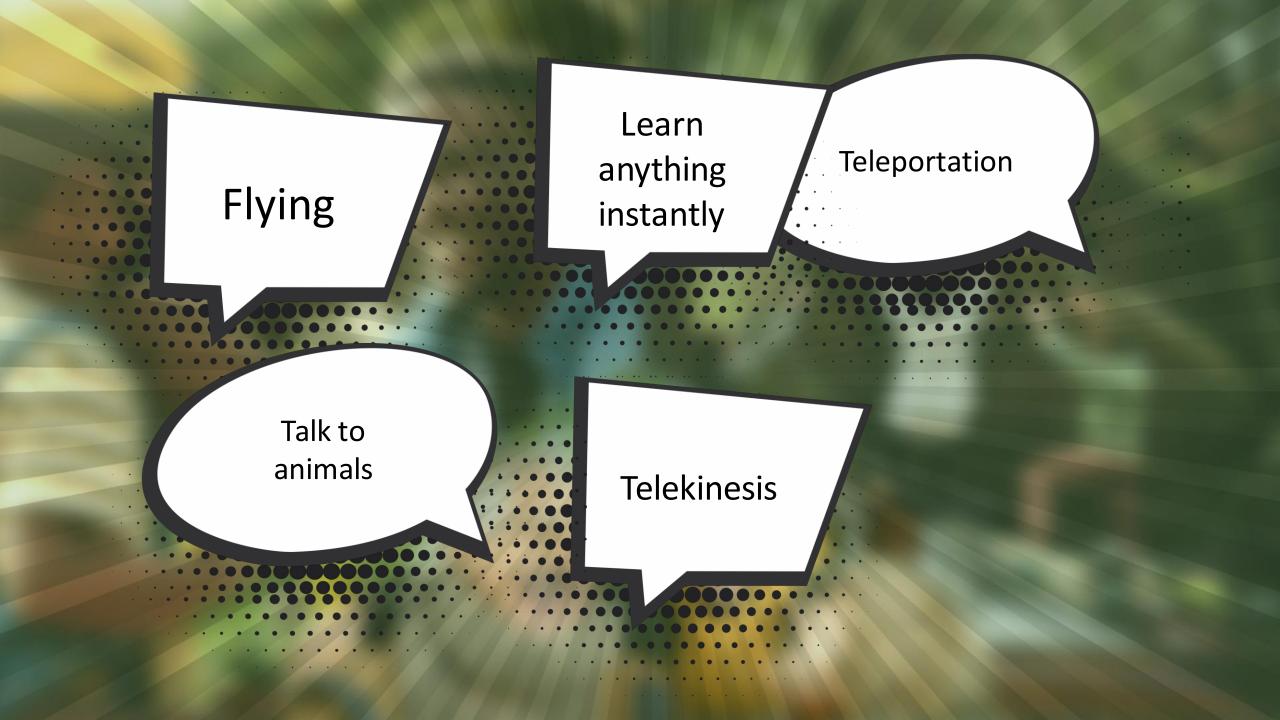


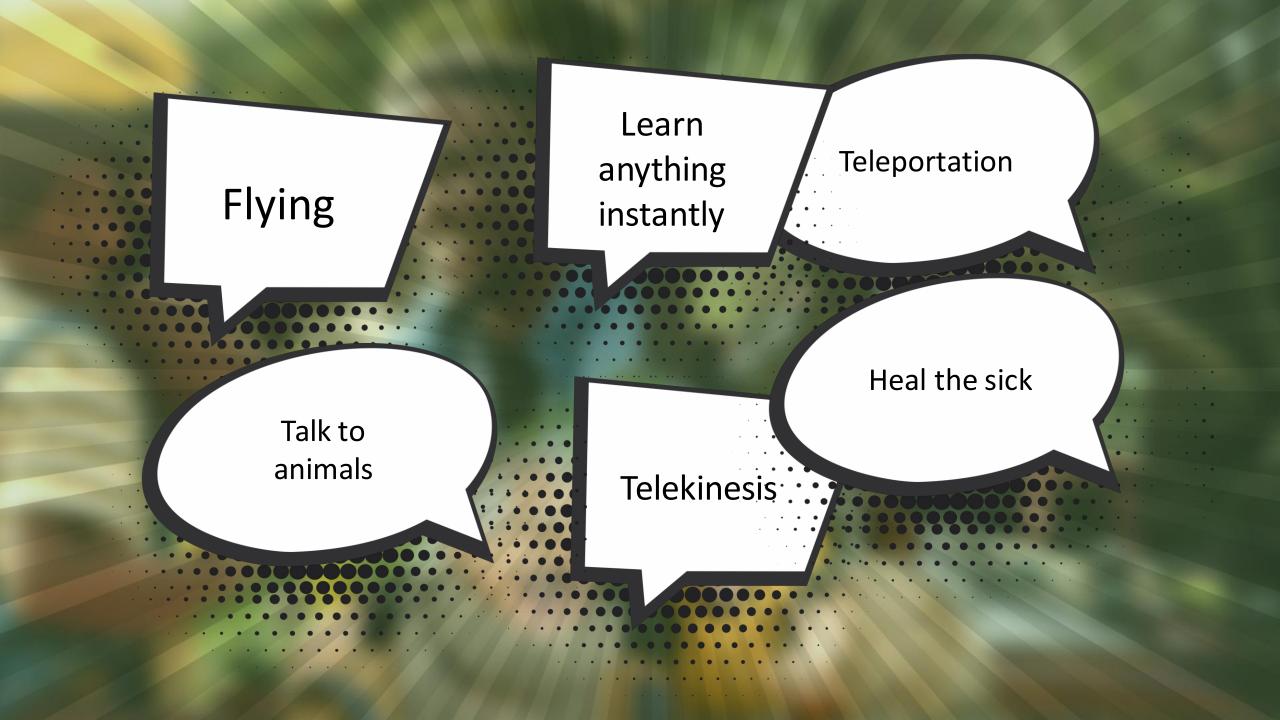


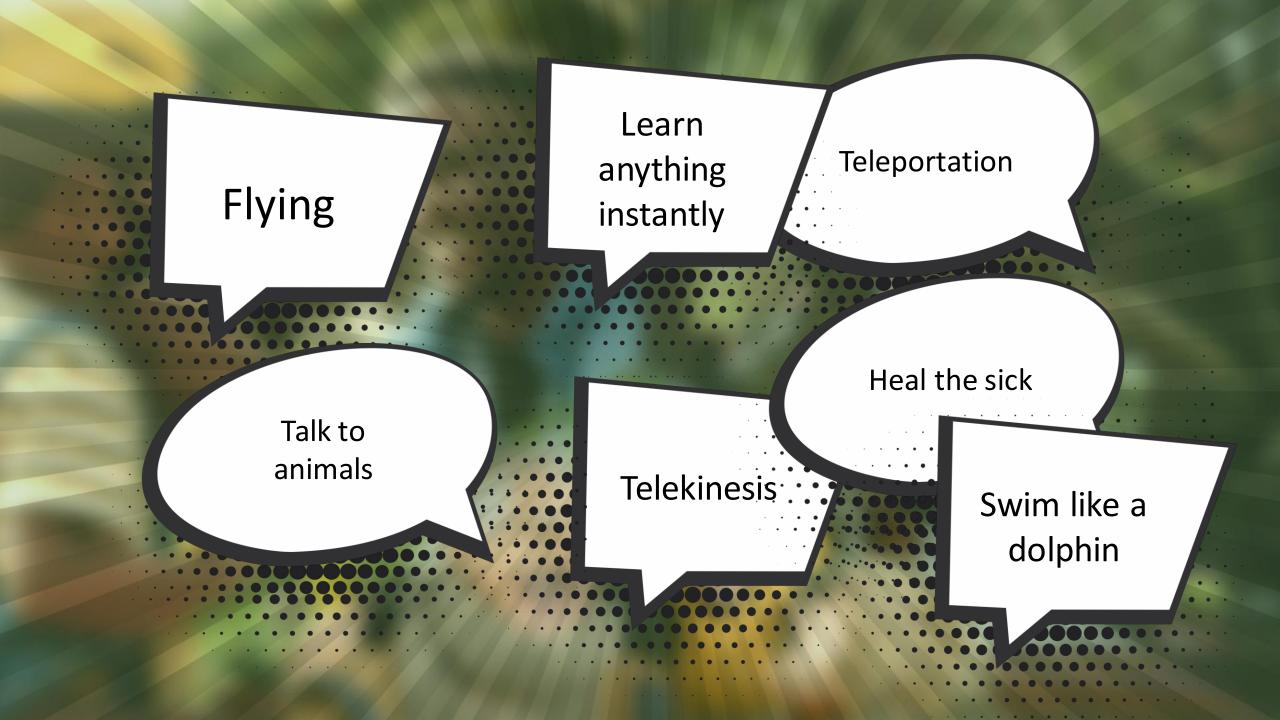


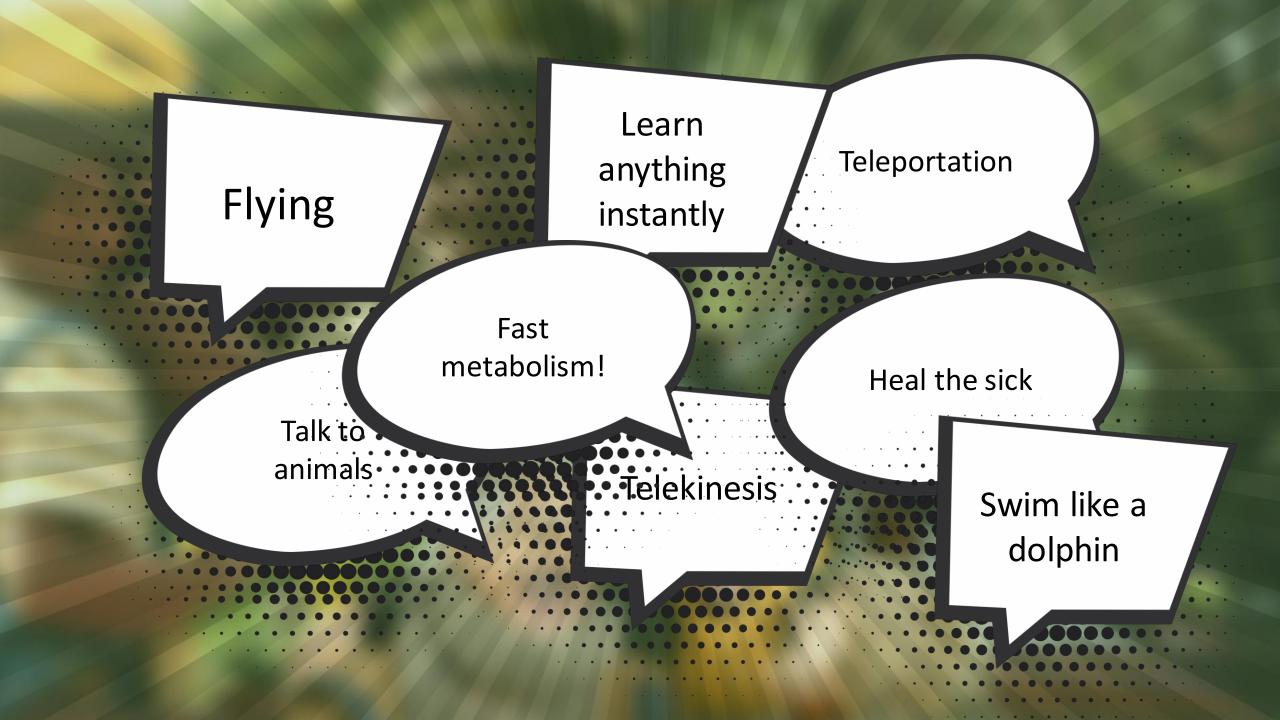


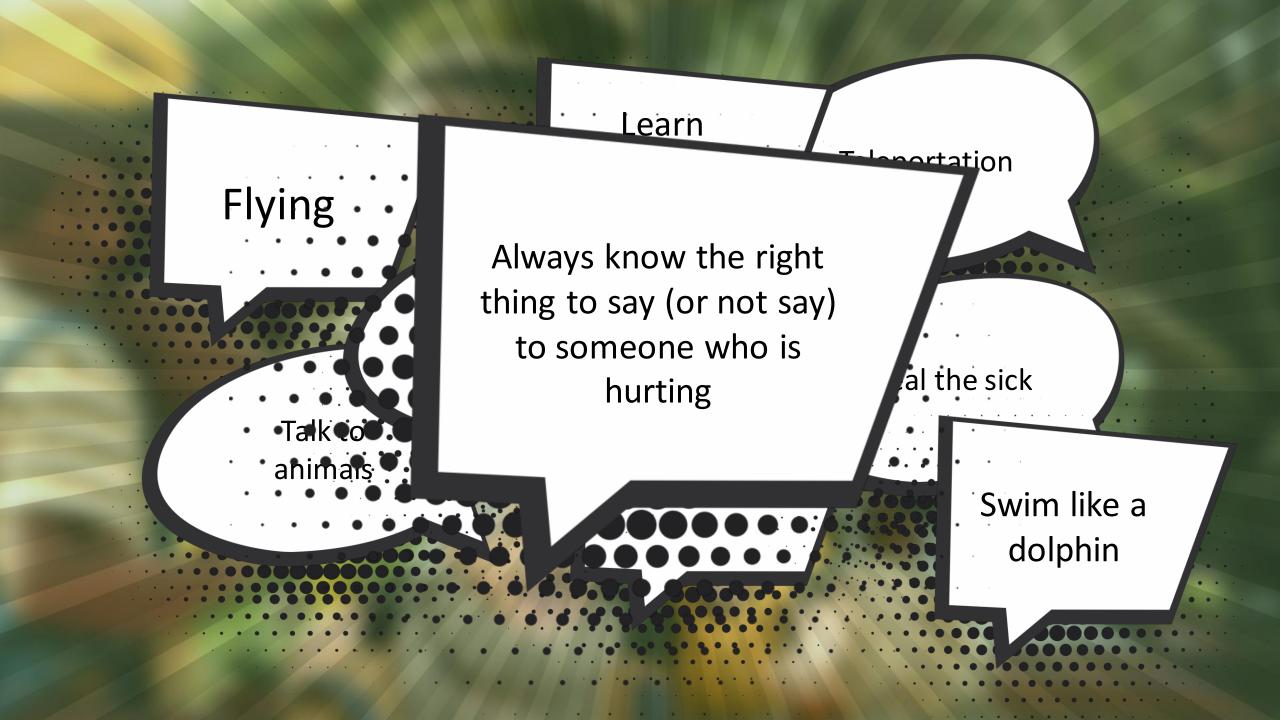
















The New Testament uses a number of memorable images to teach us about the nature of the church: the body of Christ, a garden/temple, a royal priesthood, and others (Eph 4, 1 Cor 12, 1 Cor 3, 1 Peter 2). But the church is most often spoken of, and Christians are most often addressed, in familial language.

In [the 2004 film] Garden State, Largeman says that maybe family is a group of people who miss the same imaginary place. The church is a family in a similar way; but we long for home, and we don't miss a place we once knew. People who are single and married, from stable families and from broken homes, regardless of ethnicity or socio-economic status — all hear in the gospel an invitation to join the family in the home that still lies ahead." - Mother and Brothers. Chris H. Smith Jr.



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"I may speak in the tongues of men, even angels; but if I lack love, <u>I have become</u> merely blaring brass or a cymbal clanging." 1 Corinthians 13:1 (CJB) 1 CORINTHIANS

"I may have the gift of prophecy, I may fathom all mysteries, know all things, have all faith enough to move mountains; but if I lack love, I am nothing." 1 Corinthians 13:2 (CJB) 1 CORINTHIANS

"For truly I tell you, if you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you will tell this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move. Nothing will be impossible for you."

Matthew 17:20 (CSB)





"Agapē, in the sense of Godlike love, is clearly distinguished from the rest. The first three are all-natural, even to fallen man, whereas Godlike agapē-love is not. All four are essentially God-given, but sin in fallen humanity has badly distorted the first three, and effectively banishes agapē until the grace of the Holy Spirit of Christ begins to recreate it in regeneration, and renews a person progressively in God's image. (Erōs had become so badly debased into lust in the Graeco-Roman world that the NT avoids its use altogether.) Further, whereas philia can be used of sub-personal objects, agapē is used only of fully interpersonal relationships (human and/or divine) in Scripture."



"Love is patient, love is kind. Love does not envy, is not boastful, is not arrogant, is not rude, is not self-seeking, is not irritable, and does not keep a record of wrongs. Love finds no joy in unrighteousness but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things."

- 1 Corinthians 13:4–7 (CSB)

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Agape is not...

Patient (makrothymia)

- Patient (makrothymia)
 - Refusal to retaliate

- Patient (makrothymia)
- Kind (chrēsteuomai)

- Patient (makrothymia)
- Kind (chrēsteuomai)
 - Considerate, gentle, compassionate

- Patient (makrothymia)
- Kind (chrēsteuomai)

Agape is not...

Jealous (zēloō)

- Patient (makrothymia)
- Kind (chrēsteuomai)

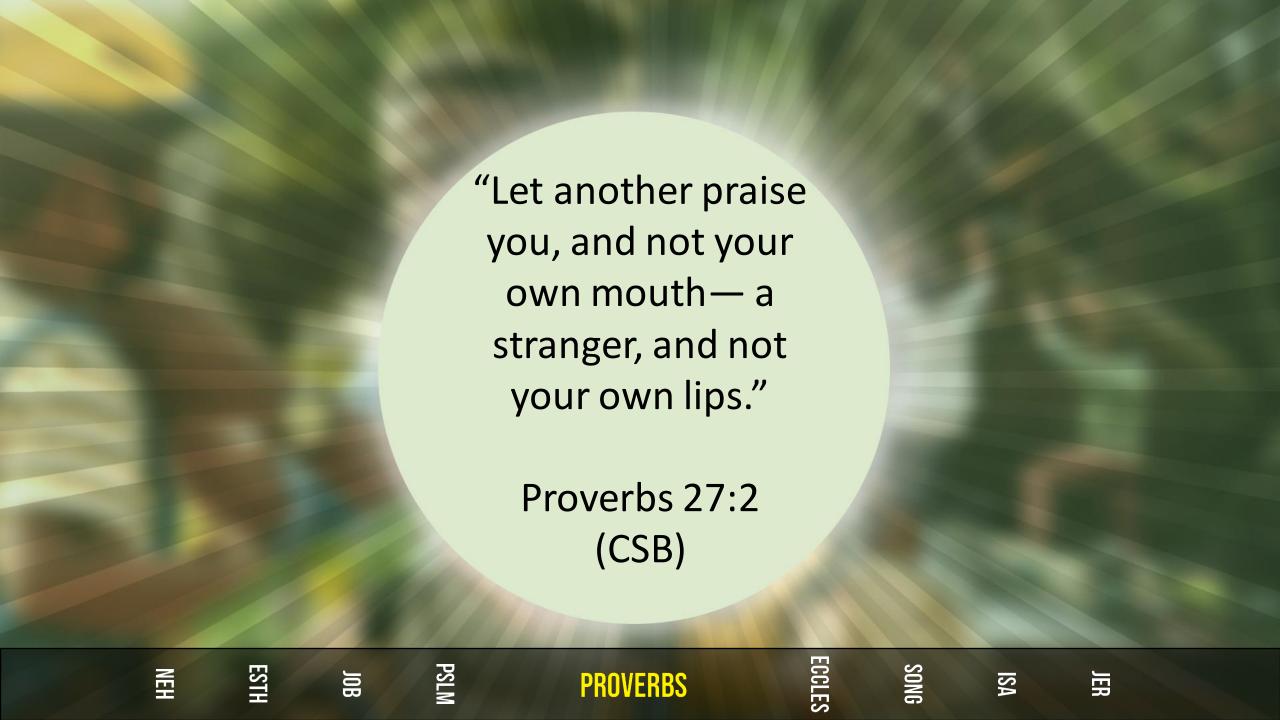
- Jealous (zēloō)
 - Zealous, selfish envy

- Patient (makrothymia)
- Kind (chrēsteuomai)

- Jealous (zēloō)
- Boastful (perpereuomai)

- Patient (makrothymia)
- Kind (chrēsteuomai)

- Jealous (zēloō)
- Boastful (perpereuomai)
 - Bragging about oneself



- Patient (makrothymia)
- Kind (chrēsteuomai)

- Jealous (zēloō)
- Boastful (perpereuomai)
- Proud (physioō)

- Patient (makrothymia)
- Kind (chrēsteuomai)

- Jealous (zēloō)
- Boastful (perpereuomai)
- Proud (physioō)
 - Puffed up, haughty

- Patient (makrothymia)
- Kind (chrēsteuomai)

- Jealous (zēloō)
- Boastful (perpereuomai)
- Proud (physioō)
- Rude (aschēmoneō)

- Patient (makrothymia)
- Kind (chrēsteuomai)

- Jealous (zēloō)
- Boastful (perpereuomai)
- Proud (physioō)
- Rude (aschēmoneō)
 - Unpresentable, resulting in disgrace

- Patient (makrothymia)
- Kind (chrēsteuomai)

- Jealous (zēloō)
- Boastful (perpereuomai)
- Proud (physioō)
- Rude (aschēmoneō)
- Self-Seeking (zētéō heautou)

- Patient (makrothymia)
- Kind (chrēsteuomai)

- Jealous (zēloō)
- Boastful (perpereuomai)
- Proud (physioō)
- Rude (aschēmoneō)
- Self-Seeking (zētéō heautou)
 - Self-centered

- Patient (makrothymia)
- Kind (chrēsteuomai)

- Jealous (zēloō)
- Boastful (perpereuomai)
- Proud (physioō)
- Rude (aschēmoneō)
- Self-Seeking (zētéō heautou)
- Easily Angered (paroxynō)

- Patient (makrothymia)
- Kind (chrēsteuomai)

- Jealous (zēloō)
- Boastful (perpereuomai)
- Proud (physioō)
- Rude (aschēmoneō)
- Self-Seeking (zētéō heautou)
- Easily Angered (paroxynō)
 - To be incensed, irritation

- Patient (makrothymia)
- Kind (chrēsteuomai)

- Jealous (zēloō)
- Boastful (perpereuomai)
- Proud (physioō)
- Rude (aschēmoneō)
- Self-Seeking (zētéō heautou)
- Easily Angered (paroxynō)
- Resentful (logizomai kakos)

- Patient (makrothymia)
- Kind (chrēsteuomai)

- Jealous (zēloō)
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- Rude (aschēmoneō)
- Self-Seeking (zētéō heautou)
- Easily Angered (paroxynō)
- Resentful (logizomai kakos)
 - To tally wrongs

- Patient (makrothymia)
- Kind (chrēsteuomai)

- Jealous (zēloō)
- Boastful (perpereuomai)
- Proud (physioō)
- Rude (aschēmoneō)
- Self-Seeking (zētéō heautou)
- Easily Angered (paroxynō)
- Resentful (logizomai kakos)
- Rejoicing in Wrongdoing (adikia)

- Patient (makrothymia)
- Kind (chrēsteuomai)

- Jealous (zēloō)
- Boastful (perpereuomai)
- Proud (physioō)
- Rude (aschēmoneō)
- Self-Seeking (zētéō heautou)
- Easily Angered (paroxynō)
- Resentful (logizomai kakos)
- Rejoicing in Wrongdoing (adikia)
 - Unrighteousness

- Patient (makrothymia)
- Kind (chrēsteuomai)

Agape...

 Rejoices with the Truth (alētheia)

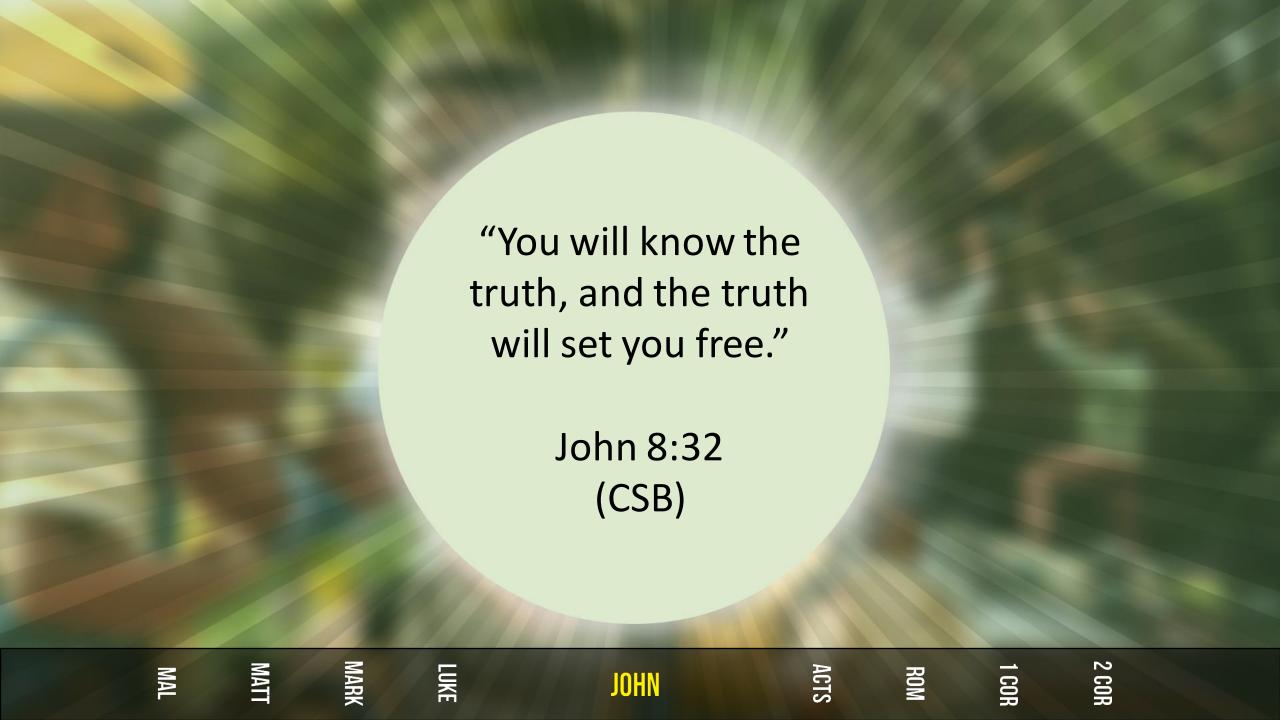
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- Boastful (perpereuomai)
- Proud (physioō)
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- Easily Angered (paroxynō)
- Resentful (logizomai kakos)
- Rejoicing in Wrongdoing (adikia)

- Patient (makrothymia)
- Kind (chrēsteuomai)

Agape...

- Rejoices with the Truth (alētheia)
 - Conforming to reality, dependable

- Jealous (zēloō)
- Boastful (perpereuomai)
- Proud (physioō)
- Rude (aschēmoneō)
- Self-Seeking (zētéō heautou)
- Easily Angered (paroxynō)
- Resentful (logizomai kakos)
- Rejoicing in Wrongdoing (adikia)



- Patient (makrothymia)
- Kind (chrēsteuomai)

Agape...

- Rejoices with the Truth (alētheia)
- Bears all Things (stegō)

- Jealous (zēloō)
- Boastful (perpereuomai)
- Proud (physioō)
- Rude (aschēmoneō)
- Self-Seeking (zētéō heautou)
- Easily Angered (paroxynō)
- Resentful (logizomai kakos)
- Rejoicing in Wrongdoing (adikia)

- Patient (makrothymia)
- Kind (chrēsteuomai)

Agape...

- Rejoices with the Truth (alētheia)
- Bears all Things (stegō)
 - Covers, ignore offenses

- Jealous (zēloō)
- Boastful (perpereuomai)
- Proud (physioō)
- Rude (aschēmoneō)
- Self-Seeking (zētéō heautou)
- Easily Angered (paroxynō)
- Resentful (logizomai kakos)
- Rejoicing in Wrongdoing (adikia)

- Patient (makrothymia)
- Kind (chrēsteuomai)

Agape...

- Rejoices with the Truth (alētheia)
- Bears all Things (stegō)
- Hopes all Things (elpizō)

- Jealous (zēloō)
- Boastful (perpereuomai)
- Proud (physioō)
- Rude (aschēmoneō)
- Self-Seeking (zētéō heautou)
- Easily Angered (paroxynō)
- Resentful (logizomai kakos)
- Rejoicing in Wrongdoing (adikia)

- Patient (makrothymia)
- Kind (chrēsteuomai)

Agape...

- Rejoices with the Truth (alētheia)
- Bears all Things (stegō)
- Hopes all Things (elpizō)
 - Embrace expectation, trust, patient waiting

- Jealous (zēloō)
- Boastful (perpereuomai)
- Proud (physioō)
- Rude (aschēmoneō)
- Self-Seeking (zētéō heautou)
- Easily Angered (paroxynō)
- Resentful (logizomai kakos)
- Rejoicing in Wrongdoing (adikia)

- Patient (makrothymia)
- Kind (chrēsteuomai)

Agape...

- Rejoices with the Truth (alētheia)
- Bears all Things (stegō)
- Hopes all Things (elpizō)
- Endures all Things (hypomenō)

- Jealous (zēloō)
- Boastful (perpereuomai)
- Proud (physioō)
- Rude (aschēmoneō)
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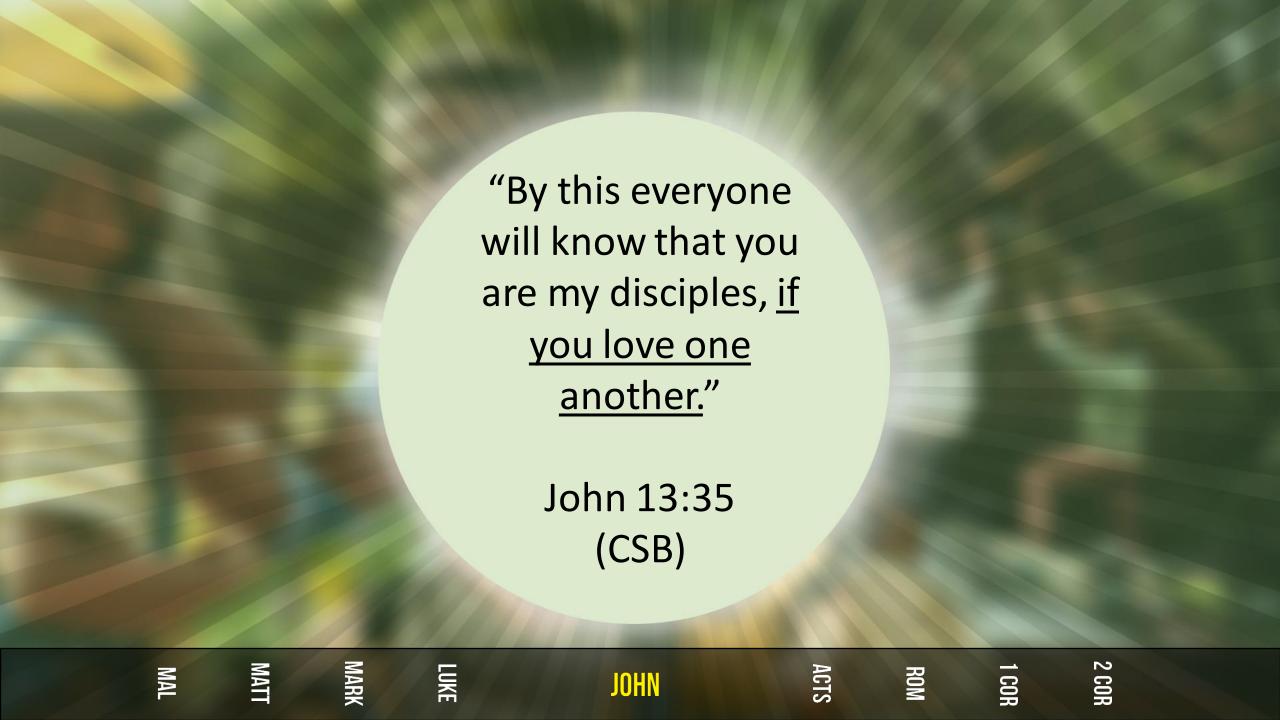
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- Kind (chrēsteuomai)

Agape...

- Rejoices with the Truth (alētheia)
- Bears all Things (stegō)
- Hopes all Things (elpizō)
- Endures all Things (hypomenō)
 - Perservere

- Jealous (zēloō)
- Boastful (perpereuomai)
- Proud (physioō)
- Rude (aschēmoneō)
- Self-Seeking (zētéō heautou)
- Easily Angered (paroxynō)
- Resentful (logizomai kakos)
- Rejoicing in Wrongdoing (adikia)

"Unlike Greek ethics, which regards the passive suffering of evil as shameful, Christians know that they are called to suffer (Acts 14:22), and they show their faith by persevering all the same."





"Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. For we know in part, and we prophesy in part, but when the perfect comes, the partial will come to an end. When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put aside childish things. For now we see only a reflection as in a mirror, but then face to face. Now I know in part, but then I will know fully, as I am fully known. Now these three remain: faith, hope, and love—but the greatest of these is love."



