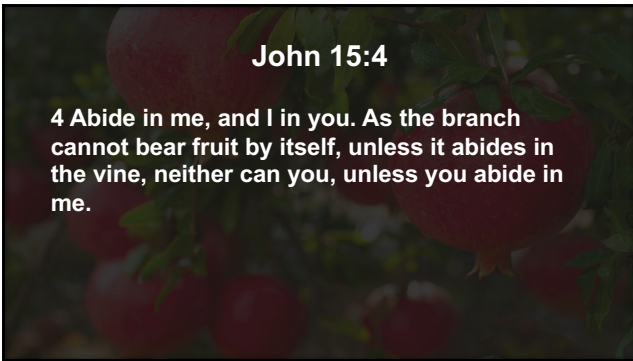
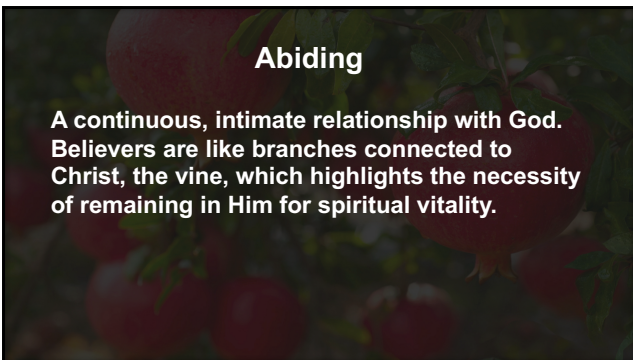




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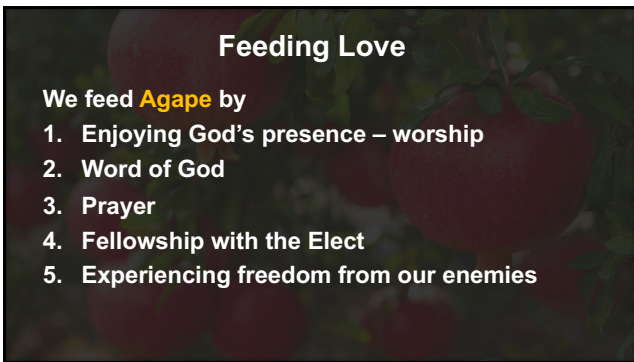
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Love

God's Love "agape" is defined as God's life-giving way of interacting with others.

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1 Corinthians 13:4-7

4 Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant 5 or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; 6 it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. 7 Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

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How Love Does (1 Cor 13:4-8)

Patient	Allows for slower pace
Kind	Considerate of others
Doesn't Envy	Not seeking gain
Doesn't Boast	Not seeking attention
Isn't Arrogant	Not self-centered
Isn't Rude	Polite manners
Doesn't insist own way	Not controlling

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How Love Does (1 Cor 13:4-8)

Not Irritable	Not easily upset
Not Resentful	Not holding grudges
Rejoices with the Truth	Happy truth prevails
Bears all things	Not overly sensitive
Believes all things	Trusts God always
Hopes all things	Has a brilliant future
Endures all things	Tough as nails

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What Love Does

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2 Timothy 4:2

Preach the word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage—with great patience and careful instruction.

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2 Timothy 4:3-5

3 For the time is coming when people will not endure sound teaching, but having itching ears they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own passions, 4 and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander off into myths. 5 But as for you, always be sober-minded, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry.

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What Loves Does

1. Corrects
2. Encourages
3. Teaches
4. Edifies

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Love Corrects 1 Corinthians 1:10

“I appeal to you, brothers, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same judgment.”

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Love Corrects 1 Corinthians 3:1

“But I, brothers, could not address you as spiritual people, but as people of the flesh, as infants in Christ.”

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Love Corrects 1 Corinthians 5:1-13

“It is actually reported that there is sexual immorality among you... And you are arrogant! Ought you not rather to mourn?... Let him who has done this be removed from among you.”

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Love Corrects 1 Corinthians 6:12-20

“‘All things are lawful for me,’ but not all things are helpful... Flee from sexual immorality. Every other sin a person commits is outside the body, but the sexually immoral person sins against his own body.”

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Love Corrects 1 Corinthians 6:19-20

19 Do you not know that your bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; 20 you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your bodies.

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Love Edifies: 1 Corinthians 8:1

Now concerning food offered to idols: we know that "all of us possess knowledge." This "knowledge" puffs up, but love builds [Edifies] up.

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How Love Does: 1 Timothy 5:1-2

1 Do not rebuke an older man but encourage him as you would a father, younger men as brothers, 2 older women as mothers, younger women as sisters, in all purity.

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Colossians 3:12-14

12 Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. 13 Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. 14 And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.

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Bearing with my Brother

My brother's burden which I must bear is not only his outward lot, his natural characteristics and gifts, but quite literally his sin. And the only way to bear that sin is by forgiving it in the power of the cross of Christ in which I now share... Forgiveness is the Christlike suffering which it is the Christian's duty to bear"

- Dietrich Bonhoeffer

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1 John 3:16

This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers and sisters

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Why We Love Others

The level and degree we accept God's love is the level and degree we can love others

God Loves Us → We love others

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Glory is a Public Display

"The glory of the Lord is the public display of God's infinite beauty, holiness, and worth."

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Beauty Is Its Own Reward

To glorify something or someone is to praise, enjoy, and delight in them. When something is useful you are attracted to it for what it can bring you or do for you. But if it is beautiful, then you enjoy it simply for what it is. Just being in its presence is its own reward.

- Tim Keller

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What We Love in Others

We love the work of God in others.

We trust the Lord to keep us safe in our interactions with others.

God's love expects nothing in return

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John 15:4

4 Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me.

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