

God's Love is Strong
1 John 4:7-8 (KJV)
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Often, we speak of loving ourselves and others. We fall in love or we fall out of love. Some use the word so loosely that it appears the word has little to no meaning. We often say, "I love you" without slowing down long enough to see if the person really acknowledges. God expects our (Christians) love to be the epitome of love. Others should see God's love when they encounter us.

We have talk about the different type love. Some say there are eight types of love.

1. Eight Different Types of Love - What different types of love are you currently experiencing and how are they impacting your life?
 - "Eros" or Erotic Love - represents the idea of sexual passion and desire.
 - "Philia" or Affectionate Love - represents friendship and considered a love between equals.
 - "Storge" or Familiar Love - primarily to do with kinship and familiarity. Flows between parents and their children, and children for their parents.
 - "Ludus" or Playful Love – represents a playful form of love, for example, the affection between young lovers. (e.g. the fluttering heart, flirting, teasing, and feelings of euphoria)
 - "Mania" or Obsessive Love - ove that leads a partner into a type of madness and obsessiveness. It occurs when there is an imbalance between eros and ludus.
 - "Pragma" or Enduring Love – represent a love that has aged, matured and developed over time. It is beyond the physical, it has transcended the casual, and it is a unique harmony that has formed over time.
 - "Philautia" or Self Love – represent a love that learn to care for ourselves. This form of self-love is not the unhealthy vanity and self-obsession that is focused on personal fame, gain and fortune as is the case with Narcissism.
 - "Agape" or Selfless Love - The highest and most radical type of love according to the Greeks is agape, or selfless unconditional love.

2. Agape (love) is necessary to please God – 1 John 4:7-8 (NIV, MSG)

3. Agape (love) kills selfishness - 1 Corinthians 13:4-7 (MSG, NLT, NCV)