



## Do Good – Love #DoGood2025

1 Corinthians 13: "If I speak in the tongues of men or of angels, but do not have love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give all I possess to the poor and give over my body to hardship that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing. Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away. For we know in part, and we prophesy in part, but when completeness comes, what is in part disappears. When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, and I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put the ways of childhood behind me. For now, we see only a reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known. And now these three remain: faith, hope, and love. But the greatest of these is love."

Love is the keyword for Do Good.

- Eros (ἔρως) describes an erotic or romantic love;
- Storge (στοργή) is commonly used for family love;
- Philia (φιλία) speaks of friendship and affection;
- Agape (ἀγάπη) is a love that loves without changing.

"A self-giving love that gives without demanding or expecting repayment. It is love so great that it can be given to the unlovable or unappealing. It is love that loves even when it is rejected. Agape love gives and loves because it wants to; it does not demand or expect repayment from the love given. It gives because it loves; it does not love to receive. [...] The word has little to do with emotion; it has much to do with self-denial for the sake of another." - David Guzik

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ἀγάπη love is not just something God does.  
It is who God is.

"Christian faith involves trusting that at the center of the universe is a being overflowing with love for His world. This means that the purpose of human existence is to receive this love that has come to us in Jesus, and then to give it back out to others; creating an ecosystem of others-focused, self-giving love." – Tim Mackie, The Bible Project

John 13:1: "It was just before the Passover Festival"

"Jesus knew that the hour had come for him to leave this world and go to the Father." – "Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end." –

John 13:34-35: "A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this, everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."

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Where have I been doing good, without loving well?  
Where is God inviting me to grow in love?

*All scriptures referenced are from the New International Version (NIV) translation of the Bible unless otherwise indicated.*