

CLASS: SS1

SUBJECT: CHRISTIAN RELIGIOUS STUDIES

TOPIC: GOD'S LOVE FOR ONE ANOTHER

WEEK: 7

TERM: FIRST

THE FIVE TYPES OF LOVE

- Eros
- Philia
- Storge
- Agape
- Platonic

1. Eros Love

Eros or erotic love is a sexual love. It is a feeling between persons who are sexually attracted to each other. It can cause great joy and great sorrow, especially amongst immature minds.

2. Philia Love

It can be the love between friends who have been together for a long time. It can be seen as friendship in a place of works, association, company etc.

3. Storge Love

This kind of love is between the parents (mothers and their children) it is described as the most natural love, because it has to do with blood relationship, even between brothers and sisters.

4. Agape love

This is the divine and unconditional love of God for mankind. This kind of love is important because it unveils the love God shows, by the death of Jesus Christ and forgiveness of sins committed by humanity, and the salvation of man.

5. Platonic love

This is the love or affection between friends. This type of affection does not involve any sexual relationship or feelings.

GOD'S LOVE FOR ONE ANOTHER (JOHN 15:12-13)

Jesus goes ahead to command us to love, to the point of laying down our lives for others just like Him. This implies that our love should be total, genuine, real and not a mere infatuation or affection.

According to Him:

"This is my commandment that you love one another as I have loved you greater Love has not man than this that a man lay down his life for his friends".

Invariably, Jesus sets a standard for the love He expects from us.

QUALITIES OF LOVE (1 CORINTHIANS 13:1-13)

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| 1) Patience | 8) Perseverance | 12) Is not |
| 2) Kindness | 9) Love | easily angered |
| 3) Politeness | 10) Does not | 13) Does not |
| 4) Humility | boast | rejoice at wrong |
| 5) Selflessness | 11) Does not | but rejoices in |
| 6) Endurance | envy others | the truth |
| 7) Hope | | |

Ways to demonstrate to one another and one's country

- 1) Helping the needy or less privileged
- 2) Tolerating one another
- 3) Forgiving offenders
- 4) Living in peace and harmony with one another irrespective of race, tribe and religion
- 5) Working together to promote our nation in positive way
- 6) Obeying the constitution.

LESSONS TO LEARN FROM GOD'S LOVE FOR MAN

- 1)** Jesus death for us is a standard as far as our love for one another is concerned. We must love to the extent of giving our life for others.
- 2)** Our love should not be discriminatory but without bounds
- 3)** No sacrifice is too big as far as our responsibility for one another is concerned.
- 4)** To love one another is a commandment. Those who flout it will be punished.
- 5)** The only way people will know we are Christ's disciples is by loving one another.
- 6)** Our love for one another should be real and not just a mere affection.

ASSIGNMENT

Enumerate seven ways we can show love to others.

