

THE SPIRITUAL MATURITY TEST

1 Corinthians 13

Therefore you do not lack any spiritual gift as you eagerly wait for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed. 1 Cor 1:7-8

(v. 1)

Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not **charity (agapeo)**, 1 Cor 13:1 KJV

“For God so loved (**agapeo**) the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life.

John 3:16

Jesus said to Simon Peter, “Simon, son of Jonah, do you love (**agapeo**) Me more than these?” He said to Him, “Yes, Lord; You know that I love (**phileo**) You.” He said to him, “Feed My lambs.”¹⁶ He said to him again a second time, “Simon, son of Jonah, do you love (**agapeo**) Me?” He said to Him, “Yes, Lord; You know that I love (**phileo**) You.” He said to him, “Tend My sheep.”¹⁷ He said to him the third time, “Simon, son of Jonah, do you love (**phileo**) Me?” Peter was grieved because He said to him the third time, “Do you love (**phileo**) Me?” And he said to Him, “Lord, You know all things; You know that I love (**phileo**) You.” Jesus said to him, “Feed My sheep. John 21:15-17

Jesus’ Remedy for Shallow Commitment

Agape Love Defined (vs.4-7)

(v.4)

Kind-chresteuomai; to show oneself useful (Strong’s)

(v.5)

Does not act Unbecomingly ie. _____

It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs 1 Cor 13:5 NIV

Agape Love _____ **(v.8)**

Love never comes to an end.... 1 Cor. 13:8 (GWT)

Spiritual Gifts are _____ **but will Continue until the**
_____ **comes (v.9)**

Who is the “Perfect”? _____

For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face; now I know in part, but then I will know fully just as I also have been fully known. 1 Cor. 13:12

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Living Agape Love

1. Agape Love is _____

"A new commandment I give to you, that you love (agapeo) one another, even as I have loved you, that you also love one another. John 13:34

By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love (agapeo) one another." John 13:35

2. Agape Love is _____

Beyond all these things put on love (agapeo), which is the perfect bond of unity. Col. 3:14

3. Agape Love is _____

Little children, let us not love (agapeo) with word or with tongue, but in deed and truth. 1 John 3:18

<u>My Personal Spiritual Maturity Test:</u>
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_____ is patient, _____ is kind and is not jealous; _____ does not brag and is not arrogant, does not act unbecomingly; _____ does not seek his/her own, is not provoked, does not take into account a wrong suffered, does not rejoice in unrighteousness, but rejoices with the truth; bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. 1 Cor. 13:4 -7