

Romans 12:9:10 NLT

Don't just pretend to love others. Really love them. Hate what is wrong. Hold tightly to what is good. Love each other with genuine affection, and take delight in honoring each other.

- Phileo - a friendship or companionship love
- Storge - an affectionate or familial love
- Eros - a romantic or passionate love
- Agape - an unconditional or unrestrained love

Authentic love is not transactional!

John 15:12 NLT

This is my commandment: Love each other in the same way I have loved you.

Real love proves itself

Romans 5:8 HCSB

But God proves His own love for us in that while we were still sinners,
Christ died for us!

1 Corinthians 13:4-5 NLT

Love is patient and kind. Love is not jealous or boastful or proud or rude. It does not demand its own way. It is not irritable, and it keeps no record of being wronged.

Real love sacrifices itself

1 John 3:16 NLT

We know what real love is because Jesus gave up his life for us.
So we also ought to give up our lives for our brothers and sisters.

Real love commits itself

1 John 4:10 NLT

This is real love—not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as a sacrifice to take away our sins.