

TRUE LOVE

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Answers to Valentine's Day trivia quiz: ____ ____ ____ ____ ____

Romantic Love in the Bible

What do we learn about romantic love from the Bible?

Jacob and Rachel Gen. 29:18-20

The Song of Solomon Song of Sol. 4:1, 9

The first great commandment Mark 12:30

The Bible recognizes e_____ love as a healthy part of our closest relationships, both with God and with others.

Romantic Love and Moral Purity

Scripture emphasizes the need to keep our emotions under c_____ so that they do not carry us off into sin.

Marriage is to be held in honor among all, and the marriage bed is to be undefiled; for fornicators and adulterers God will judge. Heb. 13:4

Is it possible for a couple to be romantically involved yet not sin?

What mindset and precautions must be in place for romantically involved unmarried people to maintain sexual purity?

- Make up your m_____ to remain sexually pure until marriage.

- Set realistic l_____ with respect to physical involvement.
- Avoid tempting s_____. Keep it public. Prov. 6:27
- Allow yourself to be held a_____.
- Surround yourself with f_____ who want to obey God.

The Bible recognizes the validity of romantic love, while at the same time stressing the crucial importance of maintaining sexual p_____.

True Love

The Bible tells us that _____ is love. 1 John 4:8

The New Testament describes the true nature of love:

Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends.
John 15:13

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son... John 3:16

Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die. But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Rom. 5:7-8

True love may be defined as: “freely giving of oneself, sacrificially when necessary, for the b_____ of another.”

God's self-g_____ love must govern all other kinds of loves, including love between a man and a woman.

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

Truth to take home: ***We are to love one another in the way God has loved us.***

What will you do as a result of this message?