

Secret Weapons



Our Battle

Love

Truth

Grace

Secret Weapons: The true power of faith

Ephesians 4:14-15 (NLT)

Then we will no longer be immature like children. We won't be tossed and blown about by every wind of new teaching. We will not be influenced when people try to trick us with lies so clever they sound like the truth. Instead, we will speak the truth in love, growing in every way more and more like Christ, who is the head of his body, the church.

John 1:17 (ESV)

For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.



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1. Define Love
2. God is ...
3. Seeing Love
4. Effect of Love



Define Love

1 Corinthians 13:1-7

If I could speak all the languages of earth and of angels, but didn't love others, I would only be a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal.

If I had the gift of prophecy, and if I understood all of God's secret plans and possessed all knowledge, and if I had such faith that I could move mountains, but didn't love others, I would be nothing.

If I gave everything I have to the poor and even sacrificed my body, I could boast about it; but if I didn't love others, I would have gained nothing.

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. It does not rejoice about injustice but rejoices whenever the truth wins out.

Love never gives up, never loses faith, is always hopeful, and endures through every circumstance.



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Patient

Forgiving

Kind

Empathetic

Selfless

Honest

Humble

Faithful

Sacrificial

Eternal



God is ...

1 John 4:16

We know how much God loves us, and we have put our trust in his love.

God is love, and all who live in love live in God, and God lives in them.

Love¹

Power⁵

Holy²

Light⁶

Life³

Righteous⁷

Truth⁴

¹ 1 John 4:16

² Psalm 99:9

³ 1 John 1:2

⁴ John 14:6

⁵ Job 25:2

⁶ 1 John 1:5

⁷ Daniel 9:14



Seeing Love

1 John 2:2

*He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only
but also for the sins of the whole world.*

Propitiation

Where Love, holiness and righteousness intersects on
the cross of Jesus.



Effects of love

John 3:16

“For this is how God loved the world: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life.

