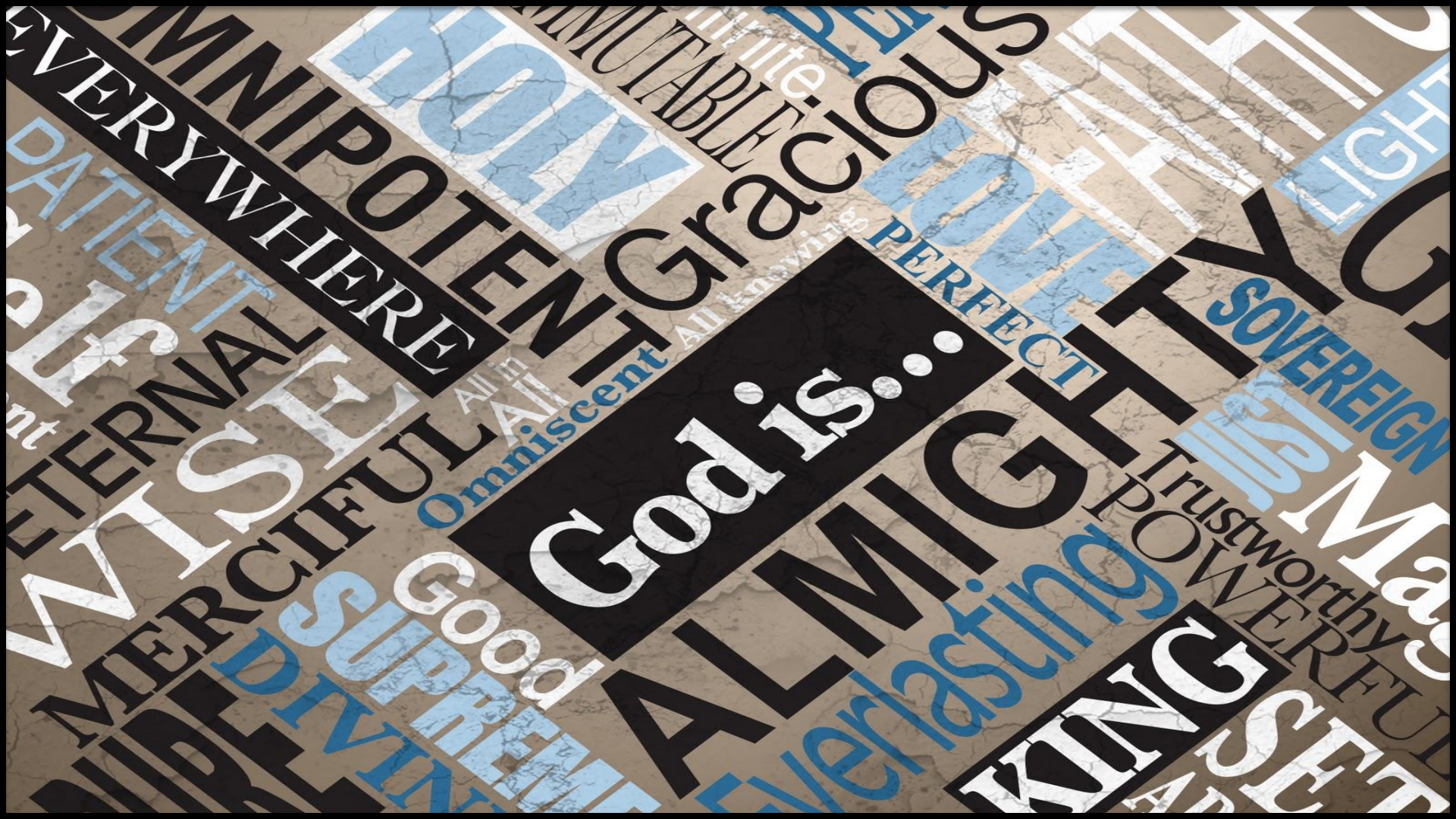
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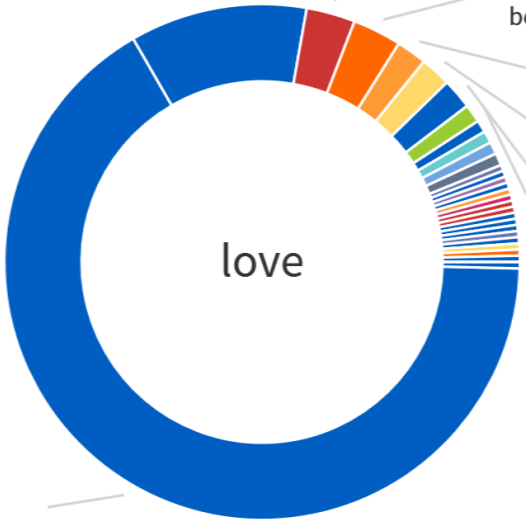
"There is a God we want, and there is a God who is—and they are not the same God.

The turning point of our lives is when we stop seeking the God we want and start seeking the God who is."

# GOD IS...LOVE!




אַהֲבָה
loving; love

דּוֹד
beloved, lover; father's brother; love, lust

רַעְיָה
beloved, female companion, girlfriend

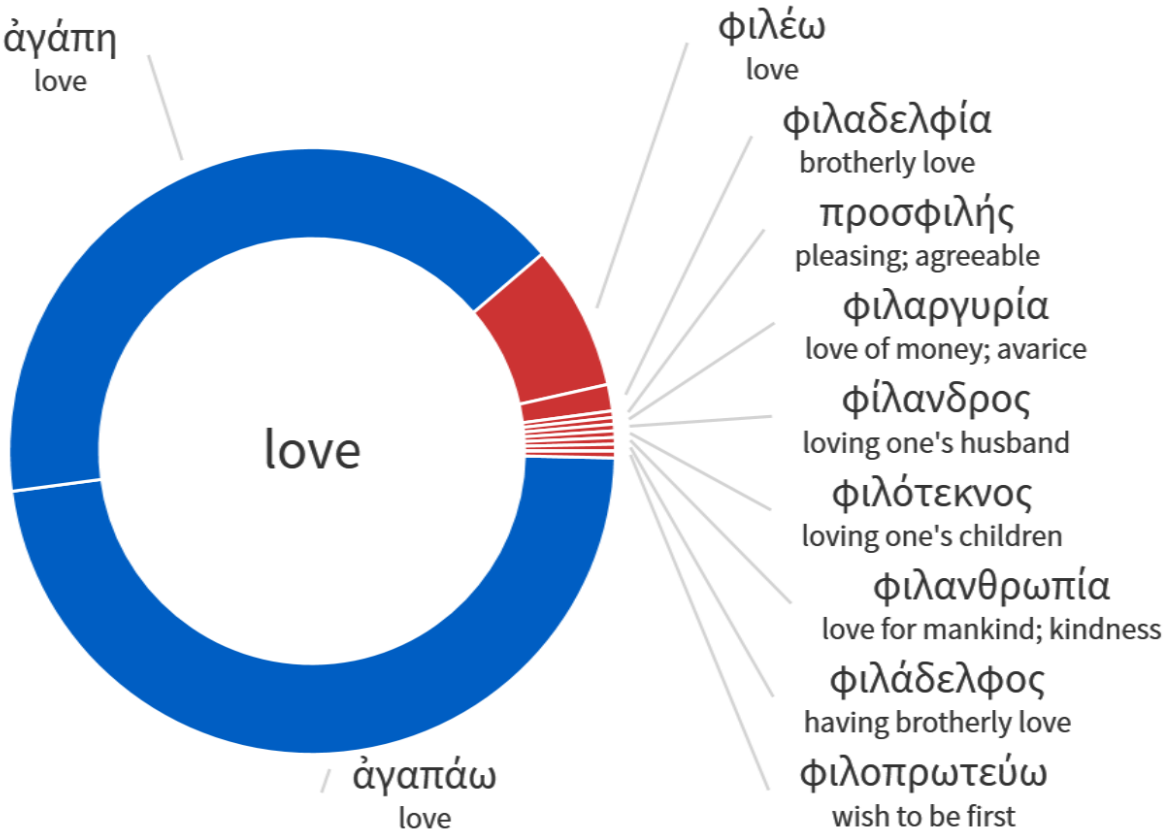
יָפֶה
beautiful; right

נָאוֶה
beautiful, delightful; suitable, proper

הַ + אַהֲבָה
the; loving; love

חֹשֶׁק
love, desire

אהב
like, love; flirt; endear; lovable, lover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brotherly love
προσφιλής
pleasing; agreeable
φιλαργυρία
love of money; avarice
φίλανδρος
loving one's husband
φιλότεκνος
loving one's children
φιλανθρωπία
love for mankind; kindness
φιλάδελφος
having brotherly love
φιλοπρωτεύω
wish to be first
love
ἀγαπάω
love

# love

[ləv]

NOUN

1. an intense feeling of deep affection.
   "babies fill parents with feelings of love" · [more]
   *synonyms:* deep affection · fondness · tenderness · warmth · intimacy · attachment · [more]

2. a great interest and pleasure in something.
   "his love for football" · [more]
   *synonyms:* liking · weakness · partiality · bent · leaning · proclivity · inclination · disposition · [more]

3. a person or thing that one loves.
   "she was the love of his life" · [more]
   *synonyms:* beloved · loved one · love of one's life · dear · dearest · dear one · darling · [more]

4. (in tennis, squash, and some other sports) a score of zero; nil.
   "love fifteen" · [more]

VERB

1. feel deep affection for (someone).
   "he loved his sister dearly" · [more]
   *synonyms:* be in love with · be infatuated with · be smitten with · be besotted with · [more]

2. like or enjoy very much.
   "I just love dancing" · [more]
   *synonyms:* like very much · delight in · enjoy greatly · have a passion for · take great pleasure in · [more]

"Agapao" speaks of a love which is awakened by a sense of worth in an object which causes one to prize it. It springs from an apprehension of the preciousness of an object. It is a love of esteem and approbation. The quality of this love is determined by the character of the one who loves, and that of the object loved.

Wuest Word Studies

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.

1 Corinthians 13:4-8 NLT

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Love never gives up, never loses faith, is always hopeful, and endures through every circumstance. Prophecy and speaking in unknown languages and special knowledge will become useless. But love will last forever!



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May you experience the love of Christ, though it is too great to understand fully. Then you will be made complete with all the fullness of life and power that comes from God.



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Beloved, let us love one another, for love is of God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. He who does not love does not know God, for God is love.



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In this the love of God was manifested toward us, that God has sent His only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through Him. In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.



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# ❖ Love comes from God

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- Love comes from God

## ❖ Jesus showed us what God's love looks like

By this we know love, because He laid down His life for us. And we also ought to lay down our lives for the brethren.



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For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

For scarcely for a righteous man will one die; yet perhaps for a good man someone would even dare to die. But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

God doesn’t love you because of what you do.

God loves you because of who He is.

If we are faithless, He remains faithful; He cannot deny Himself.

But I say to you, love your enemies, bless those who curse you, do good to those who hate you, and pray for those who spitefully use you and persecute you,

This includes you who were once far away from God. You were his enemies, separated from him by your evil thoughts and actions.



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- Love comes from God
- Jesus showed us what love is

❖ You need Jesus to experience real love

I pray that from his glorious, unlimited resources he will empower you with inner strength through his Spirit. Then Christ will make his home in your hearts as you trust in him.

Your roots will grow down into God's love and keep you strong. And may you have the power to understand, as all God's people should, how wide, how long, how high, and how deep his love is.

*Ephesians 3:16-19 NLT*

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## ❖ Nothing can separate you from God's love

What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things?

Who shall bring a charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is he who condemns? It is Christ who died, and furthermore is also risen, who is even at the right hand of God, who also makes intercession for us.

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?

Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

As it is written: “For Your sake we are killed all day long; We are accounted as sheep for the slaughter.”Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us.

For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

- Love comes from God
- Jesus showed us what love is
- You need Jesus to experience real love
- Nothing can separate you from God's love

## ❖ Being loved by God is amazing

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Behold what manner of love the Father has bestowed on us, that we should be called children of God! Therefore the world does not know us, because it did not know Him.

Such love has no fear, because perfect love expels all fear. If we are afraid, it is for fear of punishment, and this shows that we have not fully experienced his perfect love.



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Long ago the Lord said to Israel: "I have loved you, my people, with an everlasting love. With unfailing love I have drawn you to myself.

Jeremiah 31:3 NLT

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- Love comes from God
- Jesus showed us what love is
- You need Jesus to experience real love
- Nothing can separate you from God's love
- Being loved by God is amazing

❖ You can't expect people who don't know God to be good at giving love

Dear friends, let us continue to love one another, for love comes from God. Anyone who loves is a child of God and knows God. But anyone who does not love does not know God, for God is love.

1 John 4:7-8 NLT

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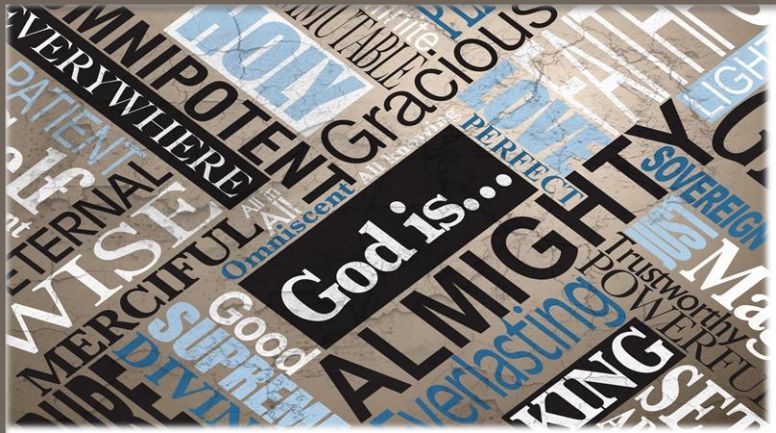


- Love comes from God
- Jesus showed us what love is
- You need Jesus to experience love
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- Being loved by God is amazing
- People may not love because they don't know God

## ❖ God's love should cause us to love others

Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.



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"As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. If you keep my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commands and remain in his love. I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete.

"If you love Me, keep My commandments.

- Love comes from God
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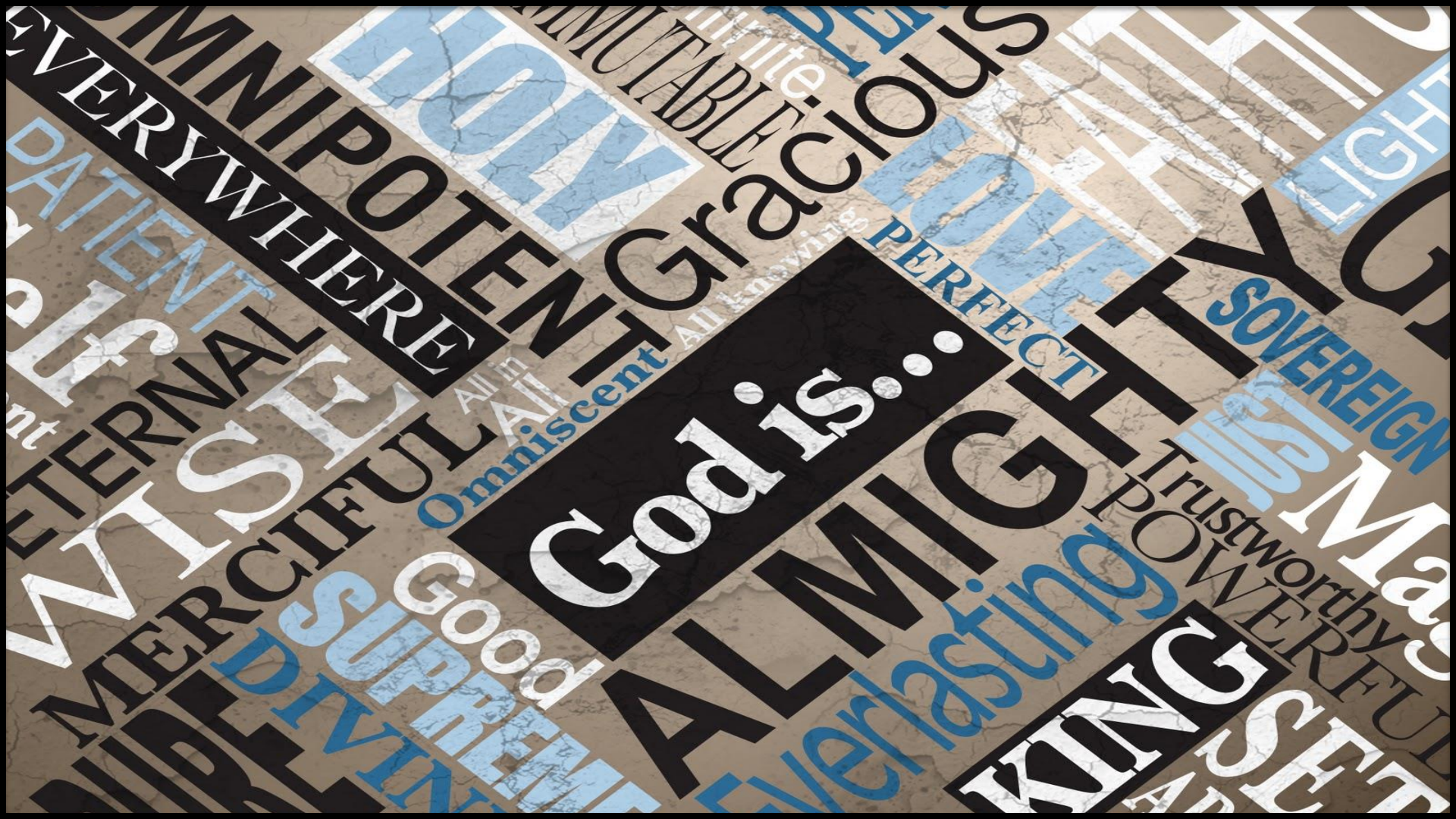
If God loved us like this... how can we not love Him back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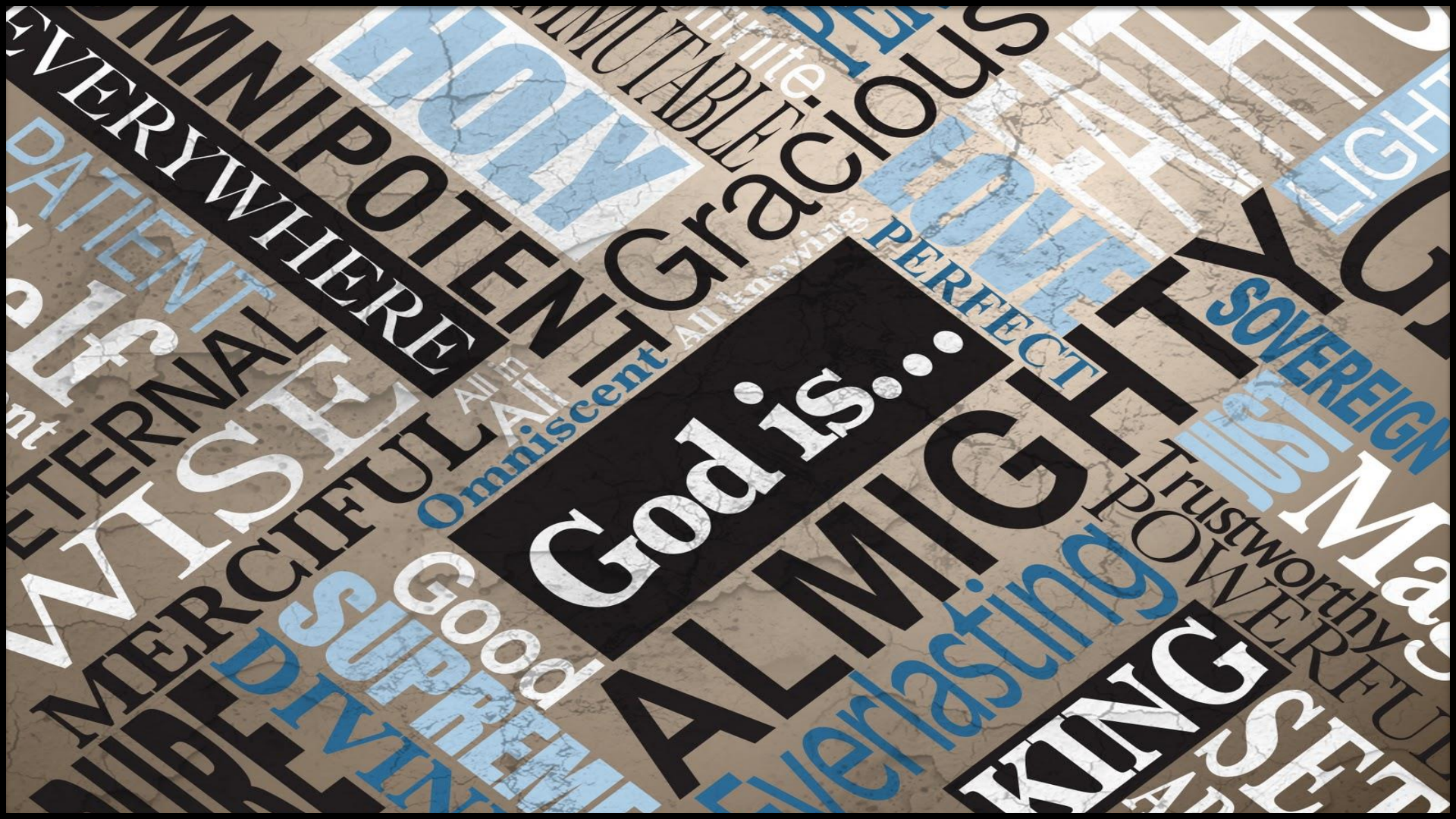
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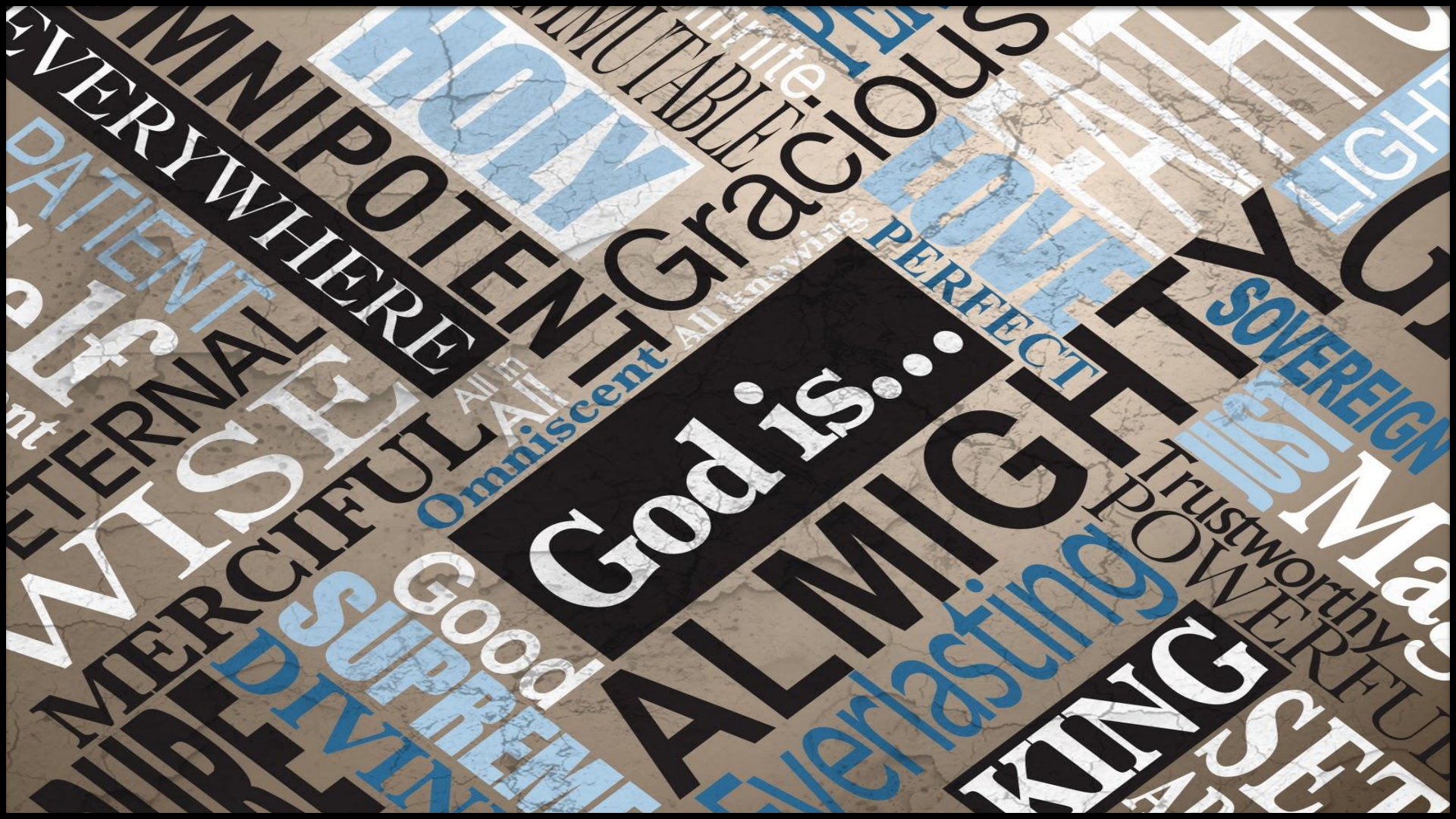
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