

- **John 13:34** “A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another, even as I have loved you, that you also love one another” . **In the Greek, the verb used for love in this passage is agape, which means unconditional love. God loved us unconditionally, and he wants us to love each other unconditionally.**

Q1. How does agape “loving unconditionally” relate to care givers and care receivers?

- **Matthew 7:12** “Therefore, however you want people to treat you, so treat them, for this is the law and the prophets” **This particular passage has been aptly named “The Golden Rule”, and it is applicable to all people.**

Q2. How is the golden rule different the agape, and how does it apply to care givers and care receivers?

- **Ephesians 5:25** “Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her.” **The term for love that scripture uses in this passage is also agape, which implies that love in the context of marriage should be unconditional and mutual.**

Q3. How does agape apply to the care giver and to the care receiver, in the context of marriage?

- **Colossians 3:19** “Husbands, love your wives and do not be embittered against them”. **The term used in this passage for love is also ‘agape’, indicating that love within the marriage should be unconditional.**

Q4. How is agape mutual in the context of marriage and the context of care giver and care receiver?

- **Ephesians 5:1** “Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children.” **This passage teaches that God loves (agape) us as his children. The commandment teaches that we out to love our families (children and other relatives) with agape (unconditional) love.**

Q5. How does agape apply to the care giver and to the care receiver in the context of the family?

- **Hebrews 10:24-25** “and let us consider how to stimulate one another to love and good deeds, ²⁵ not forsaking our own assembling together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging *one another*; and all the more as you see the day drawing near.” **This passage indicates that we should love (agape) each other to love in the church, in whatever way that makes sense.**

Q6. How does agape apply to the care giver and to the care receiver in the context of the Mood Disorder Share and Prayer Support Group?

- **I Peter 2:17** “Honor all people, love the brotherhood, fear God, honor the king”. **The term used for love in this passage is also agape, and the term brotherhood (a form of the noun adelphos) is about Christian relationship with other believers.**

Q7. How is the Mood Disorders Share and Prayer Support Group a form of spiritual family?

- **Galatians 5:13** “For you were called to freedom, brethren; only do not *turn* your freedom into an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another.” **The significant point in this passage is that serving one another is a form of unconditional love (agape again).**

Q8. How can you agape (love) serve others in the context of the Mood Disorders Share and Prayer Support Group?

- **I Peter 5:14** “Give each other a warm greeting...” (Contemporary English Version). **In the Greek, the expression for warm greeting actually reads agape kiss.**

Q9. How can greeting each other warmly in the Mood Disorders Share and Prayer Support Group display agape love?

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Mood Disorder Share & Prayer Support Group

**Loving (agape)
One Another**

Our mission - Glorify God by serving those who suffer from a mood disorder and those who care for them

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