

~AFFECTION (244)

[English, love, liking, kindness, warmth, friendliness, care, Opposite of, **dislike**, Hebrew, *cha-shaq'*, show affection, Greek, *phi-le'o* have affection]

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- A strong, warm, personal attachment, such as that existing between genuine friends.
- The Hebrew word *cha-shaq'*, translated show affection in;
- It was not because of your being the most populous of all the peoples that Yehowah **showed affection** for you so that he chose you, for you were the least of all the peoples. (**Deuteronomy 7:7**)
- Has the root meaning be attached to.
- And Hamor proceeded to speak with them, saying; As for Shechem my son, his soul **is attached to** your daughter. Give her, please, to him as a wife. (**Genesis 34:8**)
- The Greek verb *phi-le'o* is translated **have affection**, like, be fond of, and kiss.
- He that **has** greater **affection** for father or mother than for me is not worthy of me, and he that has greater affection for son or daughter than for me is not worthy of me. (**Matthew 10:37**)
- They like the most prominent place at evening meals and the front seats in the synagogues. (**Matthew 23:6**)
- He that is **fond** of his soul destroys it, but he that hates his soul in this world will safeguard it for everlasting life. (**John 12:25**)
- Now his betrayer had given them an agreed sign, saying, Whoever it is **I kiss**, this is he. Take him into custody and lead him away safely. (**Mark 14:44**)
- To have **affection** expresses a very close bond, of the kind that exists in close families between parents and children. Jesus felt such a deep affection for his friend Lazarus, so that he gave way to tears in connection with the death of Lazarus.

- Jesus gave way to tears. (**John 11:35**)
- Therefore the Jews began to say; See, what **affection** he used to have for him! (**John 11:36**)
- The same expression is used to show the strong, warm, personal attachment Yehowah has for his Son and for his Sons followers, as well as the warm feeling of the disciples for God's Son.
- For the Father has **affection** for the Son and shows him all the things he himself does, and he will show him works greater than these, in order, that you may marvel. (**John 5:20**)
- For the Father himself has **affection** for you, because you have had affection for me and have believed that I came out as the Father's representative. (**John 16:27**)
- If anyone has no **affection** for the Lord, let him be accursed. O our Lord, come! (**1 Corinthians 16:22**)
- It is to be noted that there is a distinction between the **Greek** verbs *phi-le'o* and *a-ga-pa'o*, although many translators do not differentiate between these words. Regarding the difference between these words, F. Zorell (*Lexicon Graecum Novi Testamenti*, Paris, 1961, col. 1402) says: *A-ga-pa'o* signifies a kind of love for someone or something occasioned freely and of our own accord because of clearly perceived reasons, *phi-le'o* differs from this in that it indicates a tender and affectionate kind of love such as arises spontaneously in our souls towards relatives or friends, and towards things we deem delightful.

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- The use of these two verbs in (**John Chapter 21**) is worthy of note. Twice Jesus asked Peter if he loved him, using the verb *a-ga-pa'o*. Both times Peter earnestly affirmed that he had **affection** for Jesus, using the more intimate word *phi-le'o*.
- When, now, they had breakfasted, Jesus said to Simon Peter: Simon son of John, do you love me more than these? He said to him; Yes, Lord, you know I have **affection** for you. He said to him; Feed my lambs. (**John 21:15**)
- Again he said to him, a second time; Simon son of John, do you

- love me? He said to him; Yes, Lord, you know I have **affection** for you. He said to him; Shepherd my little sheep. (**John 21:16**)
- Finally, Jesus asked; Do you have **affection** for me? And Peter again asserted that he did.
 - He said to him the third time: Simon son of John, do you have **affection** for me? Peter became grieved that he said to him the third time; Do you have **affection** for me? So he said to him; Lord, you know all things; You are aware that I have **affection** for you. Jesus said to him; Feed my little sheep. (**John 21:17**)
 - Thus, Peter affirmed his warm, personal attachment for Jesus.
 - Brotherly love, **Greek**, *phi-la-del-phi'a*, literally, **affection** for a brother, should exist among all members of the Christian congregation. In brotherly love have tender **affection** for one another. In showing honor to one another take the lead.
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 - Let your **brotherly love** continue. (**Hebrews 13:1**)
 - Finally, all of you be like-minded, showing fellow feeling, having **brotherly affection**, tenderly compassionate, humble in mind. (**1 Peter 3:8**)
 - Thus, the relationships within the congregation should be as close, strong, and warm as in a natural family. Even though the members of the congregation already show **brotherly love**, they are urged to do it in fuller measure.
 - However, with reference to **brotherly love**, you do not need us to be writing you, for you yourselves are taught by God to love one another. (**1 Thessalonians 4:9**)
 - And, in fact, you are doing it to all the brothers in all of Macedonia. But we exhort you, brothers, to go on doing it in **fuller measure**. (**1 Thessalonians 4:10**)
 - The **Greek** word *phi-lo'stor-gos*, meaning having tender **affection**, is used of a person who is close to another in warm intimacy. One of the roots of this compound term, *ster'go*, is frequently used to denote a

natural affection, as between family members. The apostle Paul encouraged Christians to cultivate this quality.

- In brotherly love have tender **affection** for one another. In showing honor to one another take the lead. (**Romans 12:10**)
- Paul also indicated that the last days would be characterized by people having no natural **affection**, **Greek**, *a'stor-goi*, and that such persons are deserving of death.
- Having no natural **affection**, not open to any agreement, slanderers, without self-control, fierce, without love of goodness. (**2 Timothy 3:3**)
- Without understanding, false to agreements, having no natural **affection**, merciless. (**Romans 1:31**)
- Although these know full well the righteous decree of God, that those practicing such things are deserving of death, they not only keep on doing them but also consent with those practicing them. (**Romans 1:32**)
- The **Greek** noun *phi-li'a*, **friendship**, is found only once in the **Christian Greek Scriptures**, where James warns that the friendship with the world is enmity with God. Whoever, therefore, wants to be a friend **Greek**, *phi'los*, of the world is constituting himself an enemy of God.
- Adulteresses, do you not know that the **friendship** with the world is enmity with God? Whoever, therefore, wants to be a friend of the world is constituting himself an enemy of God. (**James 4:4**)

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- One may develop a love of money, **Greek**, *phi-lar-gy-ri'a*, literally, **fondness of silver**, and cause much damage to himself. In the **First Century C.E.** the Pharisees were money lovers, and this would be a characteristic of people in the last days.
- Now the Pharisees, who were money lovers, were listening to all these things, and they began to sneer at him. (**Luke 16:14**)
- For men will be lovers of themselves, **lovers of money**, self-assuming, haughty, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, disloyal. (**2 Timothy 3:2**)

- In contrast, a Christians manner of life should be free of the love of money, **Greek**, *a-phi-lar'gy-ros*, literally, having no fondness of silver.
- Let your manner of life be free of the love of money, while you are content with the present things. For he has said; I will by no means leave you nor by any means forsake you. (**Hebrews 13:5**)
- To attain the office of overseer in the Christian congregation, one of the qualifications that has to be met is to be **not a lover of money**.
- Not a drunken brawler, not a smiter, but reasonable, not belligerent, **not a lover of money**. (**1 Timothy 3:3**)
- Tender **affections** are strong emotions often have an effect on the body. Hence, the **Greek** word for intestines, *splag'khna*, is often used to denote **tender affections** or **tender compassions**.
- You are not cramped for room within us, but you are cramped for room in your own **tender affections**. (**2 Corinthians 6:12**)
- Also, his **tender affections** are more abundant toward you, while he calls to mind the obedience of all of you, how you received him with fear and trembling. (**2 Corinthians 7:15**)
- If, then, there is any encouragement in Christ, if any consolation of love, if any sharing of spirit, if any **tender affections** and compassions. (**Philippians 2:1**)
- Accordingly, as God's chosen ones, holy and loved, clothe yourselves with the **tender affections** of compassion, kindness, lowliness of mind, mildness, and long-suffering. (**Colossians 3:12**)
- For I got much joy and comfort over your love, because the **tender affections** of the holy one's have been refreshed through you, brother. (**Philemon 1:7**)
- This very one I am sending back to you, yes, him, that is, my own **tender affections**. (**Philemon 1:12**)
- Yes, brother, may I derive profit from you in connection with the Lord, refresh my **tender affections** in connection with Christ. (**Philemon 1:20**)

- But whoever has this world's means for supporting life and beholds his brother having need and yet shuts the door of his **tender compassions** upon him, in what way does the love of God remain in him? (**1 John 3:17**)

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