



SUPERCHURCH 2.0

Four Kinds Of Love

MEMORY VERSE: *John 13:34, "A new command I give you: love one another, as I have loved you, so you must also love one another..." (NIV)*

TAKE HOME POINT: Agape love is God's love.

▶ TO THE TEACHER:

The purpose of this lesson is to identify and define the four different kinds of love. There are four Greek words for love:

Agape

God kind of love

Phileo

Friendship

Storge

Affection

Eros

Romantic

Agape love is God's love: Jesus introduced the world to a new kind of love - Agape. Agape love is an unconditional love. There is nothing you can do to earn this love. The Bible says that God is love (Agape). There is nothing we can do that will change who God is. God is love. We cannot earn His love or do anything bad enough to make Him stop loving us.

Phileo love is friendship. This is the kind of love that you have for your best friend. Friendship is a two way street. You help your friend and he or she helps you. This is the kind of love that David and Jonathan had for each other.

Storge love is affection. It might be a pat on the head or a handshake or a hug. We all need affection.

Eros love is the special kind of love that a Daddy and Mommy have towards each other. Another word for this kind of love is romance. This kind of love is designed for one person - the person you are married to. It says to them that you love them more than any other person.



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LARGE GROUP SCHEDULE

Today's Date: _____

Lead Teacher: _____

WHO	LESSON OUTLINE	WHAT
_____	1. Participation Awards	
_____	2. Praise & Worship	
_____	3. Announcements	
_____	4. Offering	
_____	5. Motion Comic:	Adventures of the Masked Hero #2
_____	6. Bottom Line:	Agape love is God's love
_____	7. Memory Verse:	John 13:34, "A new command I give you: love one another, as I have loved you, so you must also love one another..." (NIV)
_____	8. Drama:	Mighty Max: "Love Is For Wimpy Kids"
_____	9. Object Lesson:	What Kind of Love Is That?
_____	10. Short Film:	I Love Candy
_____	11. Inter-Active Lesson:	The Squirt Gun Fight
_____	12. Digital Review Questions	

MOTION COMIC

The Adventures of the Masked Hero

Agape: Episode #2

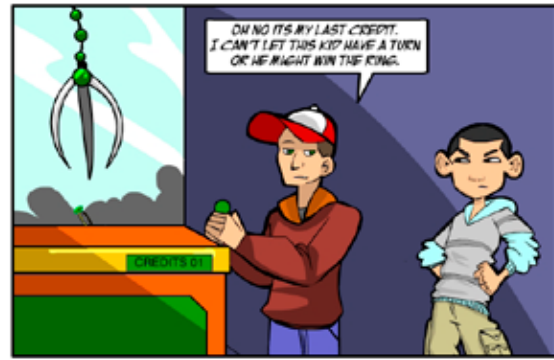
▶ TO THE TEACHER:

Goal: get the kids to laugh and introduce the lesson.

- At the conclusion of the Digital Comic Book, Johnny asks the question **“What is the Bottom Line?”** Words pop up one at a time. Encourage your kids to guess the Bottom Line as the words pop up.

- Next Commissioner Thornton asks the question **“What is the Memory Verse?”** Again words pop up one at a time.

- It is motivating to reward the first child to guess the Bottom Line and Memory Verse.



Panel 1



Panel 2



Panel 3



Panel 4



DRAMA

Mighty Max: "Love Is For Wimpy Kids"

TAKE HOME POINT:

God's love is unconditional.

CHARACTERS:

Mighty Max (new character)

PROPS:

- Mighty Max Costume
- A large towel for a cape
- A pair of shorts over jeans
- A sweatband

Drama Script:

(Mighty Max enters humming his own theme tune)

Teacher: Max! How are you doing?

Max: It's Mighty Max now!

Teacher: Mighty Max?

Max: Yes! The other day I fell into a puddle of radioactive waste and I have mutated to a SUPER HUMAN! (Strikes a hero pose)

Teacher: That sounds really fun! And you are just in time to hear about the love of God!

Max: (Doubles over laughing)

Teacher: What's so funny, Max?

Max: Love? That might be fine for you normal people, but love is a little wimpy for us super heroes!

Teacher: Wimpy?

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Mighty Max: "Love Is For Wimpy Kids" Drama Script — Continued

Max: Yes! Love is like when mommy and daddy love each other and give each other flowers, chocolates, and little notes cut into the shape of hearts! (Shudders) What would all of the villains think if they caught me giving flowers and chocolates to girls! They wouldn't tremble at the mention of MIGHTY MAX! They would laugh!

Teacher: You don't have to do that stuff with God's love.

Max: I don't?

Teacher: No. The affectionate kind of love you are talking about is called Eros. The God kind of love is unconditional and can't be earned. It's called Agape.

Max: A guppy? Isn't that a kind of fish? Oh man! That's just great! Nothing is wimpier than fish love!

Teacher: (Chuckles) It's not a guppy. It's Agape! God's love is definitely not wimpy! In fact, the Bible says that you can move mountains, but if you don't have love, you are nothing!

Max: Well... I definitely am something! (Strikes a hero pose) And I don't need love to make me any better!

Teacher: (Chuckling) Ok. Did you know that Agape is also the best super power ever!

Max: Better than stealth cloaking? 'Cause that can be very useful!

Teacher: Better than stealth cloaking!

Max: It can't be better than pyro-kinesis!

Teacher: Pyro-ka-what?

Max: Pyro-kinesis! The ability to move fire WITH THE POWER OF THE FORCE!

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Mighty Max: "Love Is For Wimpy Kids" Drama Script — Continued

Teacher: (Unimpressed) Oh. Yeah, I'm sure that Agape is way better than that. But... since love is wimpy, I'm sure that you are not interested in hearing about it.

Max: (Excited) But it's the greatest super power! Even better than pyro-kinesis! (Trying to appear cool and calm) I suppose that I can at least let you tell me about it.

Teacher: Ok. God's love, Agape, never fails!

Max: (In wonder) Never fails?

Teacher: Never.

Max: So, how would one go about earning this amazing Agape Power.

Teacher: You see, Max... (Cut off)

Max: Mighty Max!

Teacher: Mighty Max, Agape can't be earned.

Max: (Disappointed) Oh...

Teacher: That's because it is unconditional. So He already loves you, and you can't do anything to make him love you any less either!

Max: (excited) So, I already have Love Power... (Trying to appear cool and calm) Uh... I mean Agape Power!

Teacher: Kind of... You have it, but you also have to learn how to operate it.

Max: Operate it?

Teacher: Yes. Now that you know how God loves you, you are responsible for loving others the same way.

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Mighty Max: "Love Is For Wimpy Kids" Drama Script — Continued

Max: Everyone?

Teacher: Everyone.

Max: I don't know if I can love everyone...

Teacher: But that's agape.

Max: Well... I'll try! But you can't expect me to give chocolates to girls! (Shudders)
They are gross! But I must be off now! UP! UP! AND AWAY! (Thrusts a fist up into the air and clenches his eyes shut- Nothing happens and he opens his eyes)
Uh... I'll have to work on my flying powers too! (Darts out of the classroom)

The End



OBJECT LESSON *What Kind Of Love Is That?*

SCRIPTURE REFERENCE: John 13:34

TAKE HOME POINT: There are different kinds of love.

- WHAT YOU NEED:**
- Box of Candy Hearts
 - Four paper hearts (write the four Greek words for love on them)
(If you prefer create four digital hearts in a power point slide)
 - Peanut butter
 - Puppy dog (real or fake)

SPECIAL NOTES:

- You can buy small boxes of Candy Hearts to hand out to the kids after class.

OBJECT LESSON APPLICATION:

What does the word love mean? (Allow the children to respond.)

We use the word love for a lot of different things. (Hold up the objects as you say them.)

We say, "I love peanut butter" and "I love Jesus." We say, "I love candy" and "I love my Mom." We say, "I love you" and "I love my puppy dog."

I think you can see that love means a lot of different things. Hopefully we love God with a different kind of love than we love peanut butter.

What do we mean when we say, "I love you"? What does the Bible mean when it tells us to "walk in love"? The Bible was originally written in a different language called Greek. In the Greek language there are four different words for love.

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What Kind Of Love Is That? Object Lesson — Continued

Agape Love or God’s love is the highest kind of love. Jesus told us to love one another even as He loved us. How did Jesus love us? He gave His life for us. That is the God kind of love in action.

Phileo Love is Friendship Love. This is the kind of love you have for your best friend. Think about the feeling you have when you are hanging with your friends. That is Phileo Love.

Storge Love is Affection. This type of love is a handshake, a pat on the shoulder or even a hug. It is one way that we show people we love them.

Eros Love is Romance. This kind of love is a special kind of love between a Daddy and a Mommy. The Bible says you can only love one person with this kind of love. It says to your spouse that you love them more than anyone else in the world.

**INTER-ACTIVE
OBJECT LESSON**

The Squirt Gun Fight

- ▶ **WHAT YOU'LL LEARN:** *A step out of love is a step into the danger zone.*
- ▶ **WHAT YOU NEED:**
 - 4 squirt guns
 - 4 camouflage T-shirts
- ▶ **PREPARATION:**
 - fight.
 - Pick four kids (before class) to be part of the squirt gun
 - Have them put on a camouflage T-shirt.
 - Fill squirt guns with water.
- ▶ **INSTRUCTIONS:**
 - Divide the four kids into two teams with two kids on each team.
 - Whichever team is the “driest” (at the end) wins the contest.
 - Give them three minutes to fight each other.
 - After the three minutes make a decision who the winner is.

SPIRITUAL APPLICATION:

(Pick the two kids that were on the winning team.)

Did you notice that these guys were not shooting each other? They were on the same team. Everybody knows if you are fighting in a battle you don't shoot your teammate.

The same thing is true in God's Army. We should not shoot at our teammates. We need to walk in love with our brothers, sisters and our friends. Sometimes a friend may do something that makes you mad, but never say words like "I hate you." That would be like shooting one of your teammates. Keep your temper under control. A step out of love is a step into the Danger Zone. When you step into the Danger Zone it is easy for the enemy to take shots at you.

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DIGITAL REVIEW QUESTIONS

NEEDED: Review Prizes (penny candy for right answers)

▶ **TO THE TEACHER:**

The **Digital Review Questions** are a part of “The Masked Hero” download.

Once you get to the Memory Verse, then **PAUSE** the video.

After you have done your teaching then **PLAY** the Digital Review Questions.

You can turn this into a **Review Game** by rewarding kids for correct answers.

1. John 13:34 says, “A new command I give you: love one another ____.”
 - a. like hippos love alligators
 - b. as the sun sets in the west
 - c. as I have loved you**
 - d. as a momma bear loves her baby bears
2. Agape love is ____.
 - a. God’s love**
 - b. friendship love
 - c. for wimpy kids
 - d. romance love
3. Phileo love is ____.
 - a. silly
 - b. holy
 - c. funny
 - d. friendship**
4. Storge love is ____.
 - a. for babies
 - b. affection**
 - c. friendship
 - d. fuzzy
5. Eros love is ____.
 - a. only for one person
 - b. a special kind of love
 - c. Dad and Mom love
 - d. all of the above**



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PROP LIST (Props, supplies, costumes and characters)

_____ Participation Awards (Large candy bars or prizes)

_____ How many needed?

_____ Review Prizes (penny candy)

Mighty Max: "Love Is For Wimpy Kids" — Pages 4-7

Characters

_____ Mightly Max

Props (Mighty Max costume)

_____ Large towel for cape

_____ A pair of shorts

_____ A sweatband

Object Lesson: What Kind Of Love Is That? — Pages 8-9

_____ Box of candy hearts

_____ Four paper hearts (write the four Greek words for love on them)
(You can also use four digital hearts in a power point)

_____ Peanut butter

_____ Puppy dog (real or fake)

Inter-Active Lesson: The Squirt Gun Fight — Page 10

_____ 4 squirt guns

_____ 4 camouflage T-shirts

Small Group Club: I Love Chocolate

_____ Chocolate pudding cup

_____ Mini chocolate bar

_____ Chocolate chips (in a baggie)

_____ M & M's (in a baggie)

_____ How many needed

Special Edition: Pastoring Your Kids

_____ How many needed

FEATURED CANDY THIS WEEK:

- *Candy Hearts*
- *We suggest if you have the resources to purchase small boxes to give the children.*