

LOVE & EMPATHY

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EMPATHY; (WEBSTER) DEFINITION

1: the action of understanding, being aware of, being sensitive to, and vicariously experiencing the feelings, thoughts, and experience of another of either the past or present without having the feelings, thoughts, and experience fully communicated in an objectively explicit manner

**AGAPE LOVE - AS A DECISION.
- WITH EMPATHY (EMOTION / AFFECTION).**

1 Corinthians 13:4-7 (NIV)

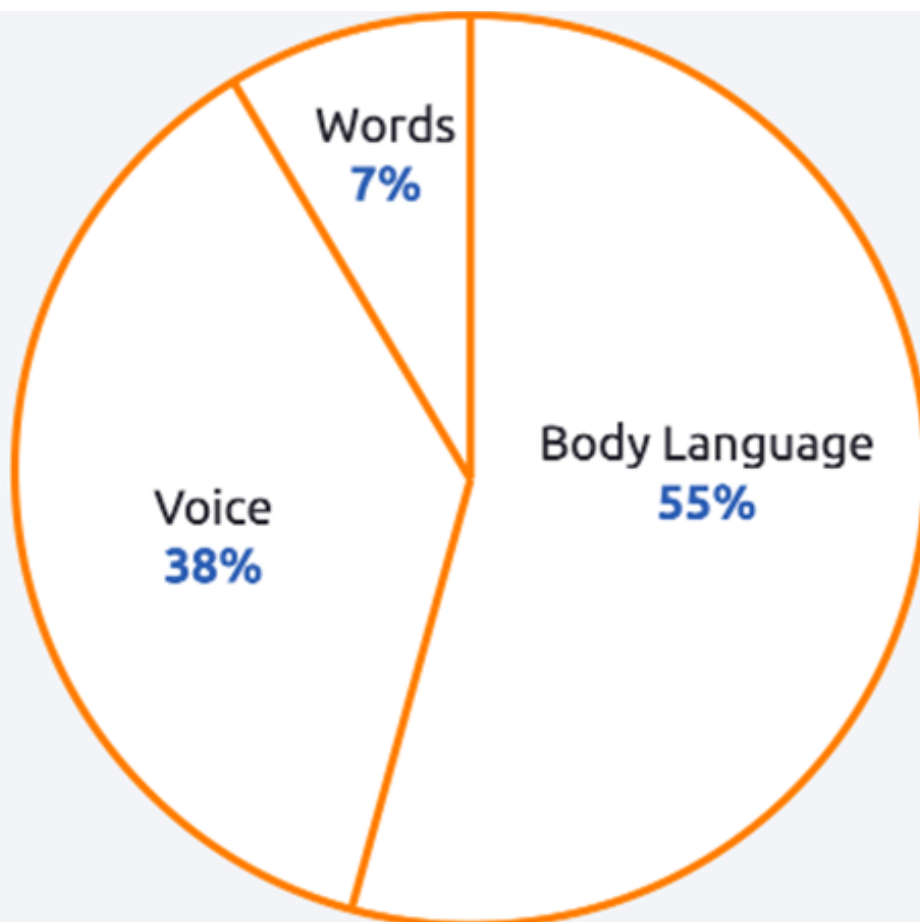
[4] Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. [5] It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. [6] Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. [7] It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

TO LOVE WITH SOME EMPATHY, WE
NEED TO COME OUT OF OUR SINGLE-
BRAINED APPROACH TO LIFE, AND
ACTUALLY LOVE THE OTHER PERSON
ENOUGH TO 'HONOR' (VALUE THEM)
AND THUS "PREFERRING" THEM,
(ROMANS 12:10).

ROMANS 12:10 (NKJV)

[10] Be kindly affectionate to one another with brotherly love, in honor giving preference to one another;

“Philidelphia” - “Fraternal Affection; Brotherly Love; Love of the Brethren”



THE REASON WE'RE TALKING ABOUT COMMUNICATION AND LANGUAGES IS BECAUSE LOVE MUST BE COMMUNICATED TO BE OF VALUE.

- TO LOVE PEOPLE, WE NEED TO PAY ATTENTION TO:

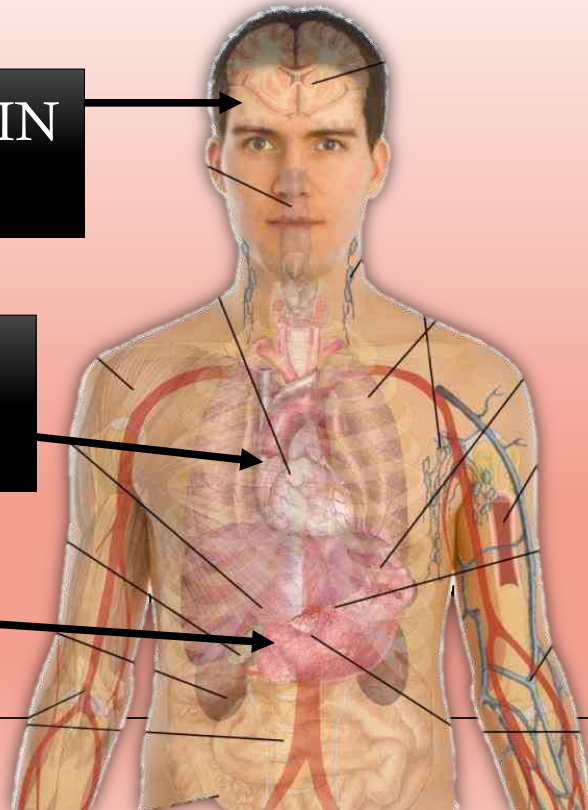
- > HOW WE COMMUNICATE WITH OTHERS.
- > WHAT THEY ARE COMMUNICATING BACK.



HEAD BRAIN
(SOUL)

HEART BRAIN
(HEART)

STOMACH BRAIN
(BELLY OR STOMACH)



#1 - SOUL (HEAD BRAIN)



Matthew 10:28 (NKJV)

[28] “And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. But rather fear Him who is able to destroy both soul and body in hell.

Mark 12:30 (NKJV)

[30] ‘And you shall love the LORD your God with *all your heart*, with all your soul, with *all your mind*, and with *all your strength*. ’This is the first commandment.

ROMANS
7:14
(NKJV)

[14] For we know that the law is spiritual, but I am carnal, sold under sin.

ROMANS 8:5-8 (NKJV)

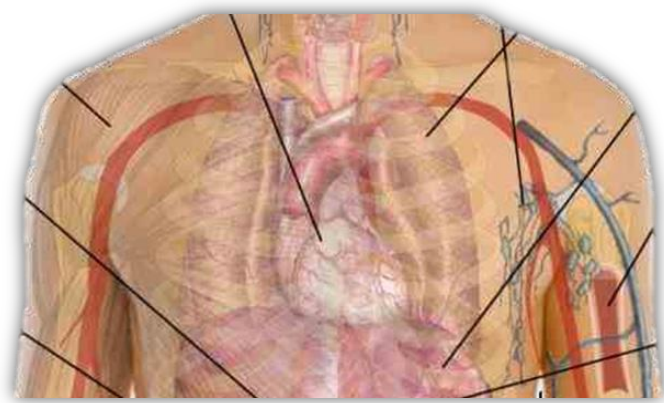
[5] For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit, the things of the Spirit. [6] For to be carnally minded is death, but to be spiritually minded is life and peace. [7] Because the carnal mind is enmity against God; for it is not subject to the law of God, nor indeed can be. [8] So then, those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

1 CORINTHIANS 3:1 (AMP)

- [1] **HOWEVER, BRETHREN, I could not talk to you as to spiritual [men], but as to nonspiritual [men of the flesh, in whom the carnal nature predominates], as to mere infants [in the new life] in Christ [unable to talk yet!]**
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1 CORINTHIANS 3:2-3 (NKJV)

[2] I fed you with milk and not with solid food; for until now you were not able to receive it, and even now you are still not able; [3] **for you are still carnal. For where there are envy, strife, and divisions among you, are you not carnal** and behaving like mere men?



#2 - HEART (BRAIN)

From my understanding, our heart works as our guide / conscience.

A deep study into the Greek / Hebrew also states that the Heart is often a combination of Spirit and Soul.

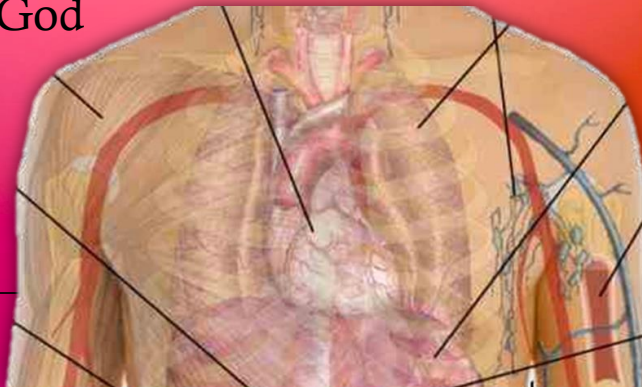
#2 - HEART (BRAIN)

Matthew 22:37 (NKJV)

[37] Jesus said to him, “You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart.....

Proverbs 23:7 (KJV)

[7] For as he thinketh in his heart, so is he.....



Proverbs 4:23 (AMP)

[23] Keep and guard your heart with all vigilance and above all that you guard, for out of it flow the springs of life.

Philippians 4:6-7 (NIV)

[6] Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. [7] And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

MATTHEW 15:1-11 (NKJV)

[1] Then the scribes and Pharisees who were from Jerusalem came to Jesus, saying, [2] “Why do Your disciples transgress the tradition of the elders? For they do not wash their hands when they eat bread.”

MATTHEW 15:1-11 (NKJV)

[3] He answered and said to them, “Why do you also transgress the commandment of God because of your tradition? [4] “For God commanded, saying, ‘Honor your father and your mother’; and, ‘He who curses father or mother, let him be put to death.’”

MATTHEW 15:1-11 (NKJV)

[5] “But you say, ‘Whoever says to his father or mother, “Whatever profit you might have received from me is a gift to God”— [6] ‘then he need not honor his father or mother. ’ Thus you have made the commandment of God of no effect by your tradition.

MATTHEW 15:1-11 (NKJV)

[7] “Hypocrites! Well did Isaiah prophesy about you, saying:
[8] ‘These people draw near to Me with their mouth, And honor Me with their lips, **But their heart is far from Me.** [9] And in vain they worship Me, Teaching as doctrines the commandments of men.’”

MATTHEW 15:1-11 (NKJV)

[10] When He had called the multitude to Himself, He said to them, “Hear and understand: [11] “Not what goes into the mouth defiles a man; but **what comes out of the mouth, this defiles a man.**”

MATTHEW 15:15-20 (NKJV)

[15] Then Peter answered and said to Him, “Explain this parable to us.”

[16] So Jesus said, “Are you also still without understanding? [17] “Do you not yet understand that whatever enters the mouth goes into the stomach and is eliminated?

MATTHEW
15:15-20
(NKJV)

[18] “But those things which proceed out of the mouth come from the heart, and they defile a man. [19] “For out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies. [20] “These are the things which defile a man, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile a man.”

1 TIMOTHY 4:1-2 (NKJV)

[1] Now the Spirit expressly says that in latter times some will depart from the faith, giving heed to deceiving spirits and doctrines of demons, [2] speaking lies in hypocrisy, **having their own conscience seared with a hot iron.**

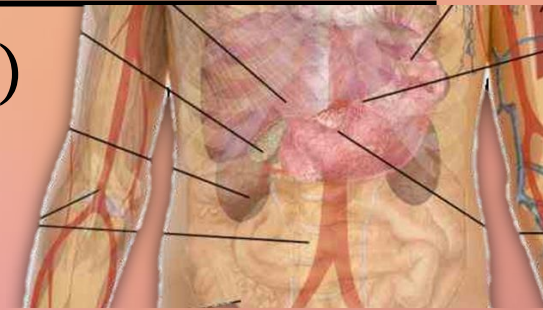
GENESIS 6:5
(NKJV)

[5] Then the LORD saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every intent of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.

JEREMIAH 17:9
(NKJV)

[9] "The heart is deceitful above all things, And desperately wicked; Who can know it?

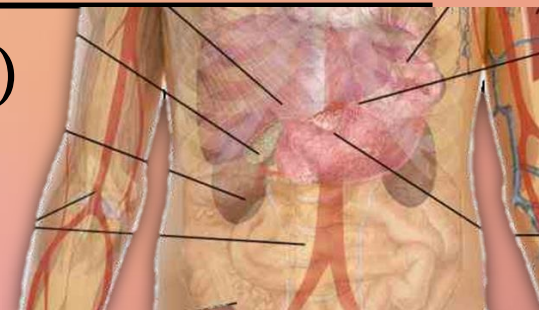
#3 - STOMACH/BELLY (BRAIN)



Romans 16:17-19 (NKJV)

[17] Now I urge you, brethren, note those who cause divisions and offenses, contrary to the doctrine which you learned, and avoid them.
[18] For those who are such do not serve our Lord Jesus Christ, but their own belly, and by smooth words and flattering speech *deceive the hearts of the simple.*

#3 - STOMACH/BELLY (BRAIN)



Philippians 3:17-19 (NKJV)

[17] Brethren, join in following my example, and note those who so walk, as you have us for a pattern. [18] For many walk, of whom I have told you often, and now tell you even weeping, that they are the enemies of the cross of Christ: [19] whose end is destruction, whose god is their belly, and whose glory is in their shame—who set their mind on earthly things.

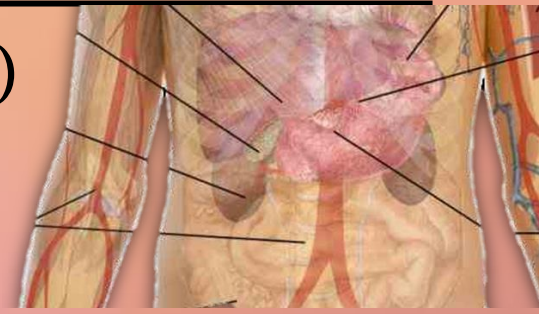
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1 Corinthians 6:12-13 (NKJV)

[12] All things are lawful for me, but all things are not helpful. All things are lawful for me, but I will not be brought under the power of any. [13] Foods for the stomach and the stomach for foods, but God will destroy both it and them. Now the body is not for sexual immorality but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body.

#3 - STOMACH/BELLY (BRAIN)



John 7:38-39 (KJV)

[38] He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water. [39] (But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that believe on him should receive: for the Holy Ghost was not yet given; because that Jesus was not yet glorified.)

**IF WE CAN'T READ
SOMEONE'S NEED,
THERE WILL BE NO
REASON FOR
EMPATHY OR
COMPASSION TO
STIR WITHIN US.**

Love will only
remain in the
Decision
Realm.

WE WANT TO CONTINUALLY
LOOK FOR CLUES TO:

- WHAT OTHERS ARE THINKING,
FEELING.



SOMETHING THAT REALLY
HELPS: PUT YOURSELF IN THEIR
PLACE.

- TRY TO BE THEM IN YOUR
THINKING AND CONSCIENCE.

