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2. God Loves all people.
3. Entering into God, encounters love.
4. Love is a willful choice
5. Love is the self, given to others.
6. God’s love is a full self made available to all selves.
7. Love, a steady pour of oneself toward others
8. With the Spirit, love can become a character trait.

A shape to Love

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- Gal 5:13 – Use our freedom to server one another in love.
- Gal 5:14 – Whole law – Love Neighbor
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2. Love draws us to transformation.
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