**אָהַב** ʾāhēb (ahhav)

* Over 200 times
* Much like our human term for love
1. Deuteronomy 6:5 You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might.
2. Ecclesiastes 5:10 He who **loves** money will not be satisfied with money, nor he who **loves** wealth with his income; this also is vanity.

4.

**חָשַׁק** ḥāšaq (*chashaq)*

* 5 times
* desire for permanent attachment
1. Psalm 91:14 “Because he holds fast to me in **love**, I will deliver him; I will protect him, because he knows my name.

6.

 **רָחַם**  *rā·ḥǎm (racham)*

* 47 times
* Love deeply, have compassion on
1. Psalm 103:13 As a father shows **compassion** to his children, so the Lord shows **compassion** to those who fear him.

**יָדִיד** yādı̂d

* 9 times
* beloved

9.

Psalm 60:5 That your **beloved** ones may be delivered, give salvation by your right hand and answer us!

10.

**רַעְיָה** raʿyâ

* 10 times
* intimate relational love found only in the Song of Solomon

11. Song of Solomon 4:1 Behold, you are beautiful, my **love**, behold, you are beautiful! Your eyes are doves behind your veil. Your hair is like a flock of goats leaping down the slopes of Gilead.

12.

**דֹּוד** Dôd

* 61 times
* intimate relational love found all but once in the Song of Solomon

13. Song of Solomon 7:10 I am my **beloved’s**, and his desire is for me.

14.

**חֶסֶד** ḥesed (*chesed)*

* 248 times
* lovingkindness, steadfastlove, loyalty
* Best reflects Gods love for human beings

15. Psalm 51:1 Have mercy on me, O God, according to your **steadfast love**; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

16.

[ἔρος](https://en.wiktionary.org/w/index.php?title=%25E1%25BC%2594%25CF%2581%25CE%25BF%25CF%2582&action=edit&redlink=1) éros

* General Greek term for love esp. sensual intimacy
* Never used in NT

17.

**φιλέω** philéō

* 25 times
* warm caring relationship appropriate to friendship and family

18.

Matthew 10:37 Whoever **loves** father or mother more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever **loves** son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me.

19.

**ἀγάπη** agape

* 341 times
* to love the undeserving, despite disappointment and rejection

20.

John 3:16 “For God so **loved** the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

21.

1 John 3:16 By this we know **love,** that he laid down his life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers.