

## How to demonstrate passion for the Lord

Think of a human love affair and the resulting signs. How do you know that someone is deeply in love with another human? Similarly, how will others identify your passion for the Lord, this d'vekut in your life? How will they know that you are in the throes of a deep love affair with Adonai?



1. You forget about your other relationships. Your exs just don't have the same hold on you as they used to. It's just not as hard to give up your buds as it used to be.
2. Other relationships just aren't as attractive as they used to be. Temptation to "fool around" is easier to resist.
3. You remember the one you love often throughout the day. You think about that person all the time. Everything reminds you of him/her. You see a pretty picture and you want to share it with your lover.
4. You show concern for him/her.
5. You are more concerned for his/her good than your own. You are willing to make sacrifices for him/her.
6. You show interest in him/her.
7. You appreciate his/her opinions, thoughts, and feelings.
8. You start worrying about your appearance – how he/she perceive you.
9. You want to impress him/her. You try to bring out your good side and you are embarrassed if he/she knows anything bad about you.
10. You try not to intrude upon him/her – you're considerate of him/her.
11. You try to come alongside him/her in his/her interests and activities.
12. You're not as tight with money as you used to be. You're willing to spend money on him/her and it's not a huge deal.
13. There are certain characteristics that attract you.
14. You have things in common.
15. You communicate well. You can talk about anything.
16. Your interest in him/her leads you to listen well.
17. You look for chances to spend time together so you can express your love to him/her.
18. You make beautiful moments together. You build rituals to demonstrate how important he/she is to you.
19. You seek to be "more than friends". It's not a casual relationship you're seeking.
20. Part of the relationship will be "natural" and part will require "work".
21. You are loyal to him/her.
22. Commitment is no longer a dirty word.
23. You don't try to play with his/her feelings. You don't abuse his/her trust.
24. You're willing to compromise. You may not always agree or like what he/she is doing but your loyalty causes you to set your feelings aside and serve him/her.
25. You make him/her a priority in your life.
26. You seek to give him/her special treatment.
27. You want to provide him/her moral support.
28. You empathize with him/her. You commiserate with him/her. You are excited when good things happen for him/her.
29. You enjoy talking about your future together. You dream together.
30. You "go well together". You just fit. Spending time with him/her is easy.
31. You enjoy just being together. The silence between the two of you is a cherished "oneness", never awkward.
32. You have developed similar likes and dislikes. You have become passionate about the same things.
33. You anticipate each other's needs; you just know what should be next without having to be told.
34. You have begun to think the same way; many times when one begins to speak, the other finds they were already thinking the same thing.