

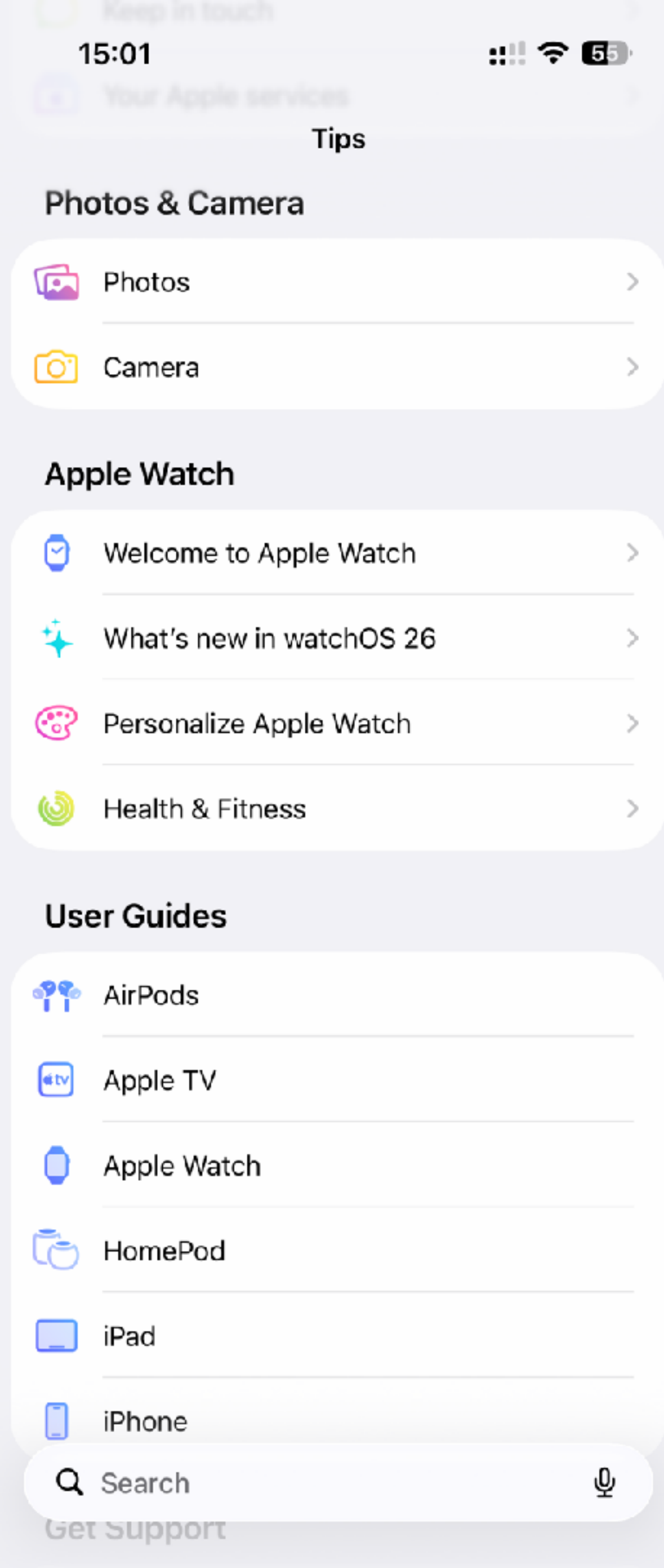
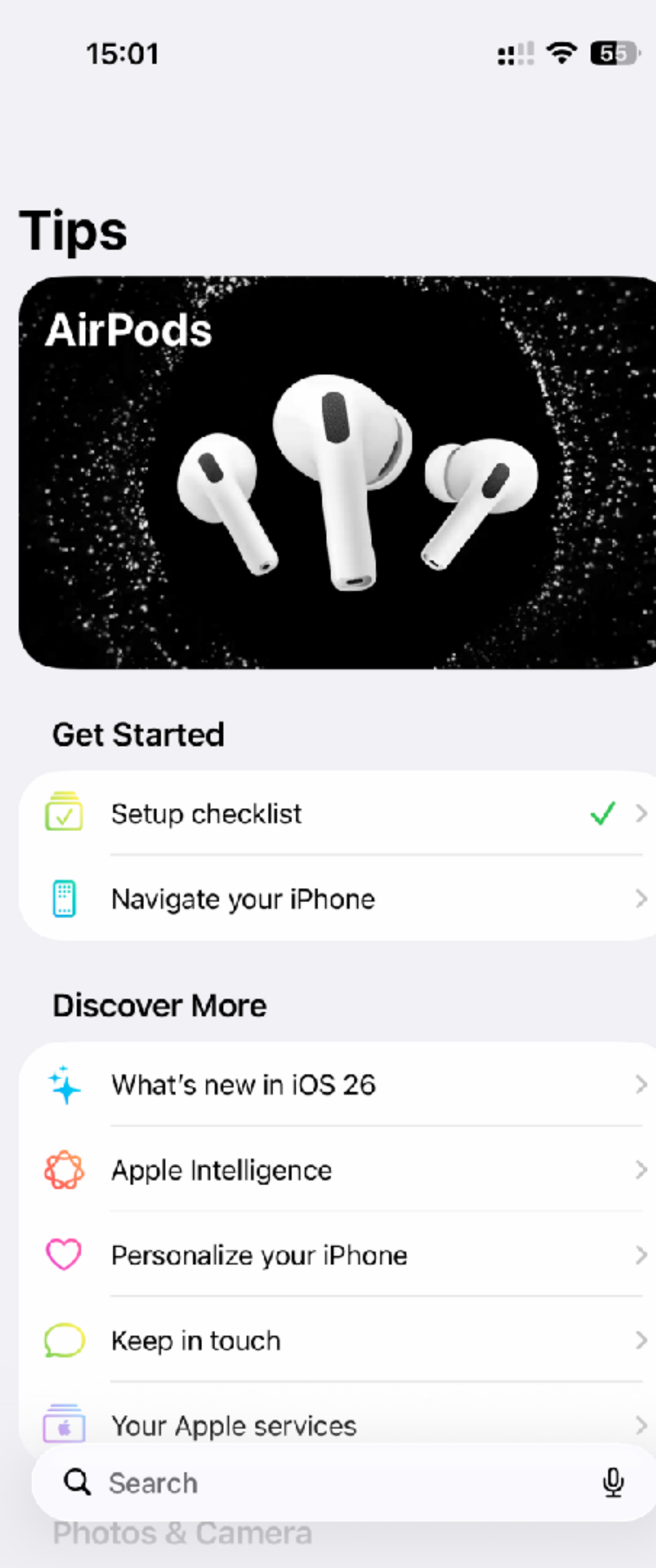
iPhone Literacy

Part 1 of maybe more parts

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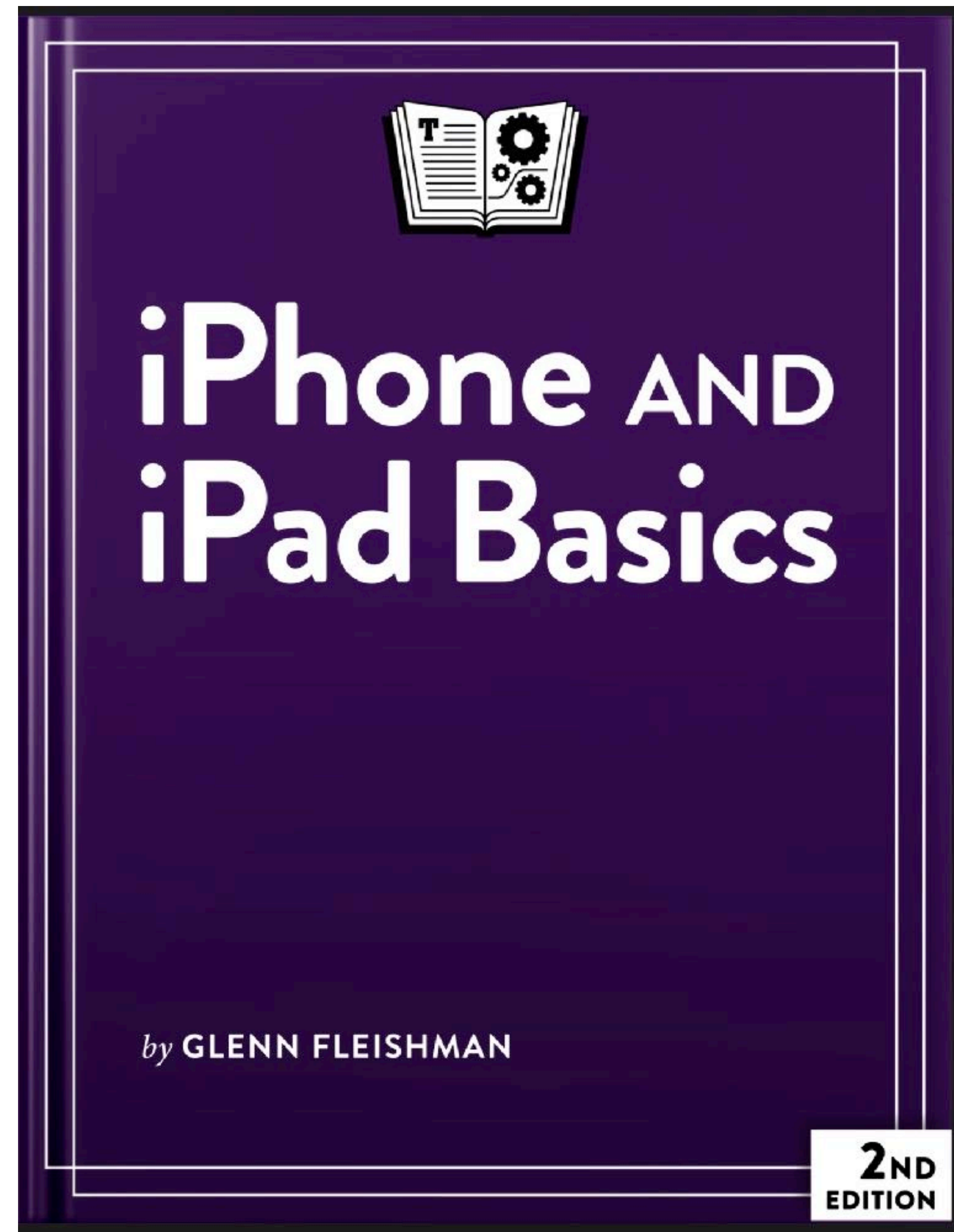
References

- **Tips**, an application on your iPhone, iPad, Mac
- Encyclopedia of how to use iPhone
- Note the search bar on each page



References 2

- **iPhone and iPad Basics**, from Take Control Books
- <https://www.takecontrolbooks.com/iphone-ipad-basics/>
- Purchase and put to use immediately
- Electronic, and searchable



Who am I?

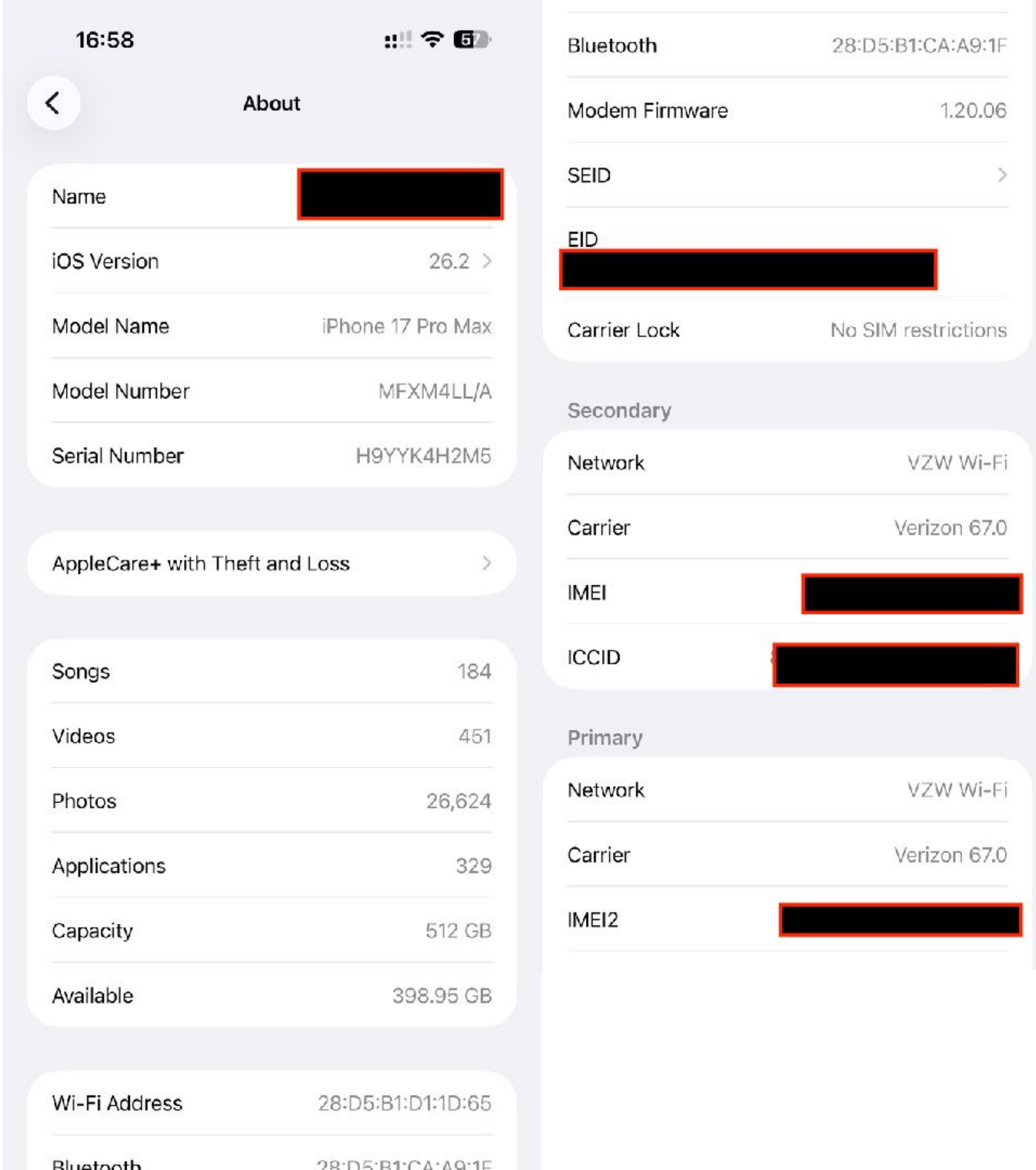
- Your phone contains all kinds of personal information
- Your name, phone number, address, contacts, who you called, who called you, physical activity records, health records
- Personal photos, personal photos of other people



- Settings > General > About
- Does it contain your name?
Change it!
- Change it to something, anything not attached to you
- The phone's name can be sent over networks and you may not want your name to appear
- This screen also shows the model name and number, in this case, the model number is A2483
- Useful for when you are troubleshooting



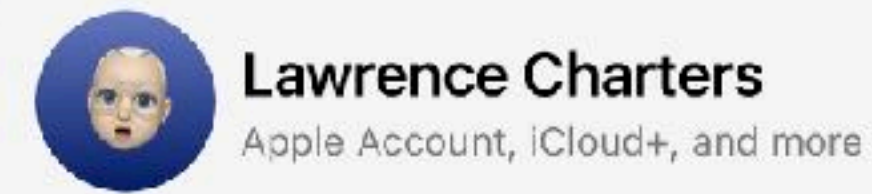
- You can check to see if you have AppleCare
- How many songs you have, videos you have, photos you have, applications, total capacity, capacity free...
- WiFi address, Bluetooth address, EID, Network (telephone service), IMEI, ICCID.
- This phone has two eSIMs, and two phone numbers. (EID, IMEI, ICCID can be used to track phones, and have been masked)



Find My

- Settings > Apple Account (at the very top, where your name is located)
- Turn Find My Phone On
- Turn Share My Location On
- Does two things:
 - Helps you find lost phone
 - Helps loved ones, emergency workers find you

Settings



Family

Airplane Mode

Wi-Fi

Bluetooth

Cellular

Personal Hotspot

Battery

General

Accessibility

Action Buttons

Apple Intelligence

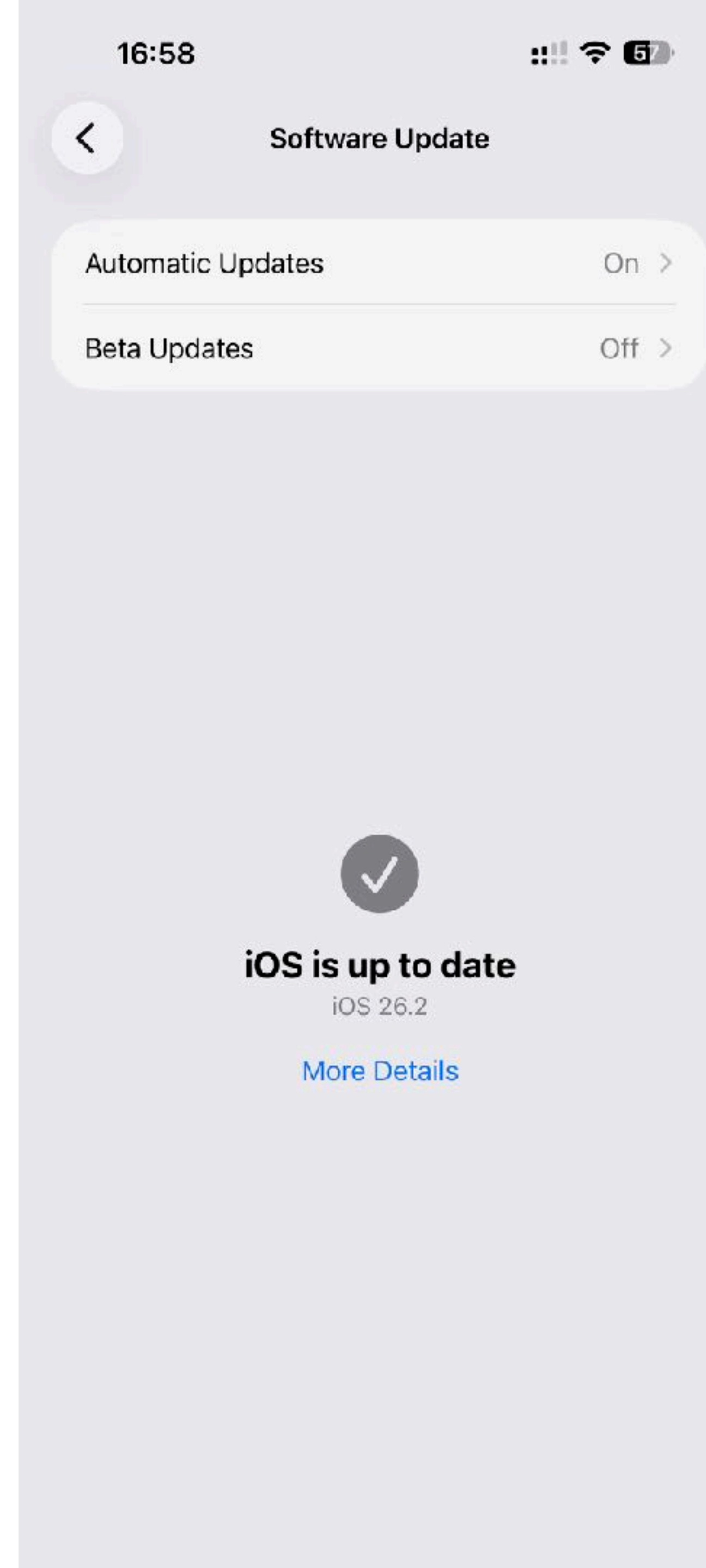
Search

Camera



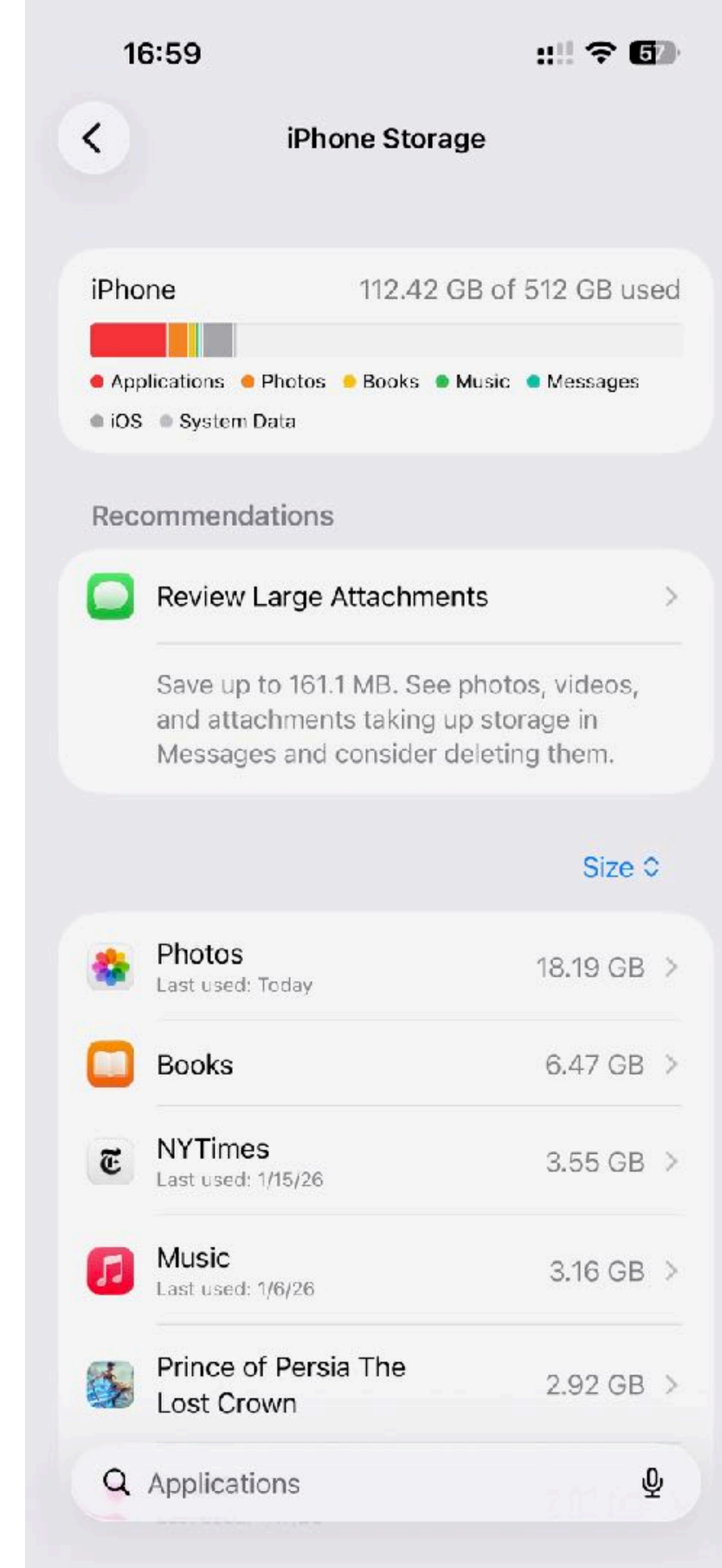
Protect yourself

- Settings > General > Software Update
- Forget what some blogger said; **turn on Automatic Updates** and leave it on.
- Do not turn on Beta Updates unless you know that “Beta” is the Greek word for “Does not work”



Managing storage

- You can't add storage to a phone
- Buy more than the minimum; you will use it
- Things that take up space: photos, music, email, messages, attachments, books, games
- Note that a game, *Prince of Persia*, is one of the largest storage users on this phone
- You should always keep at least 15 GB free for software updates
- If you run short of storage, your phone will become unreliable

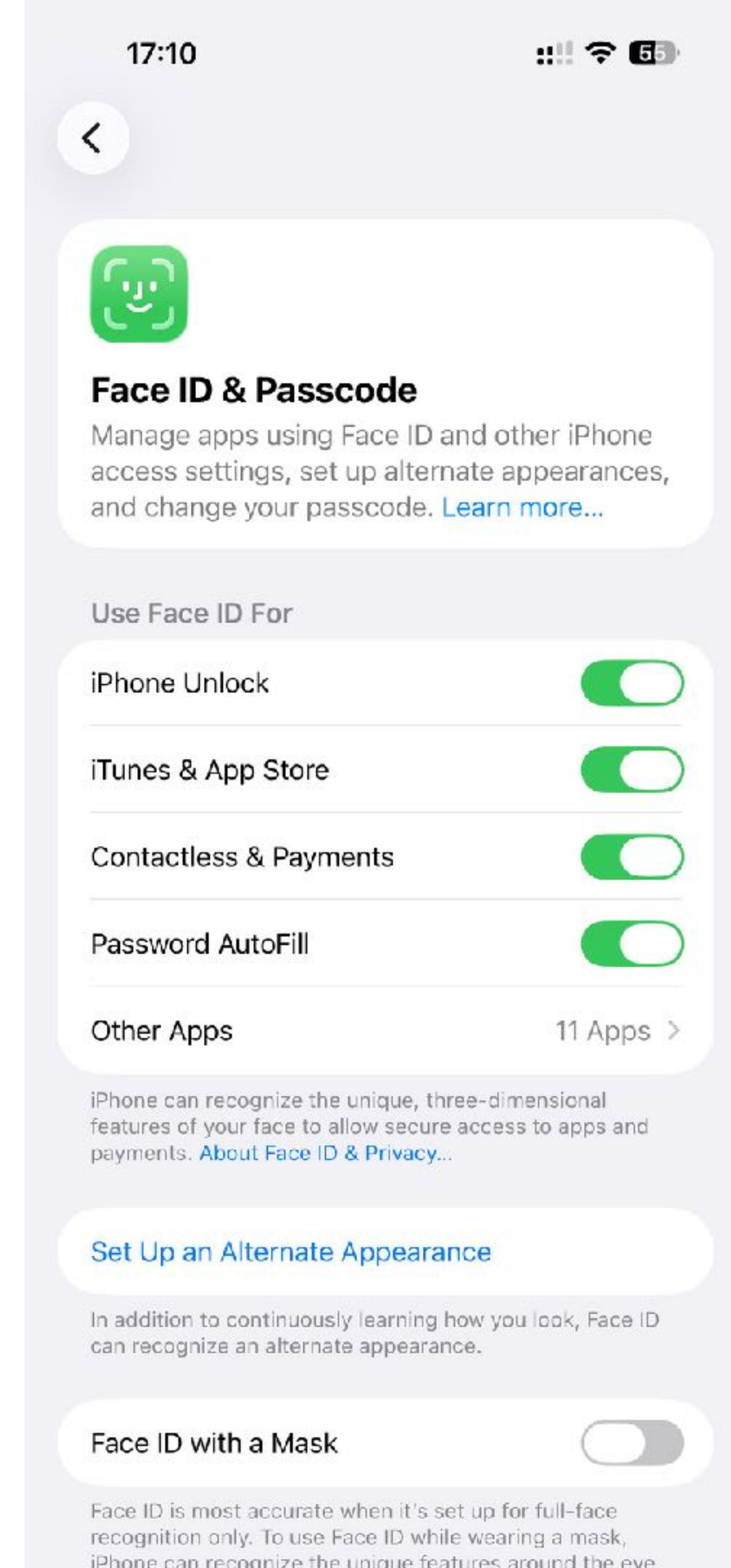


Passwords, Pt. 1

- If your phone offers Face ID or Fingerprint ID, use it
- Also set a PIN to open your phone. Use a six digit PIN, something not obvious (not your birthday)
- Something you can remember (the Zipcode of where you were born, with an extra digit to make it six characters), or something else non-

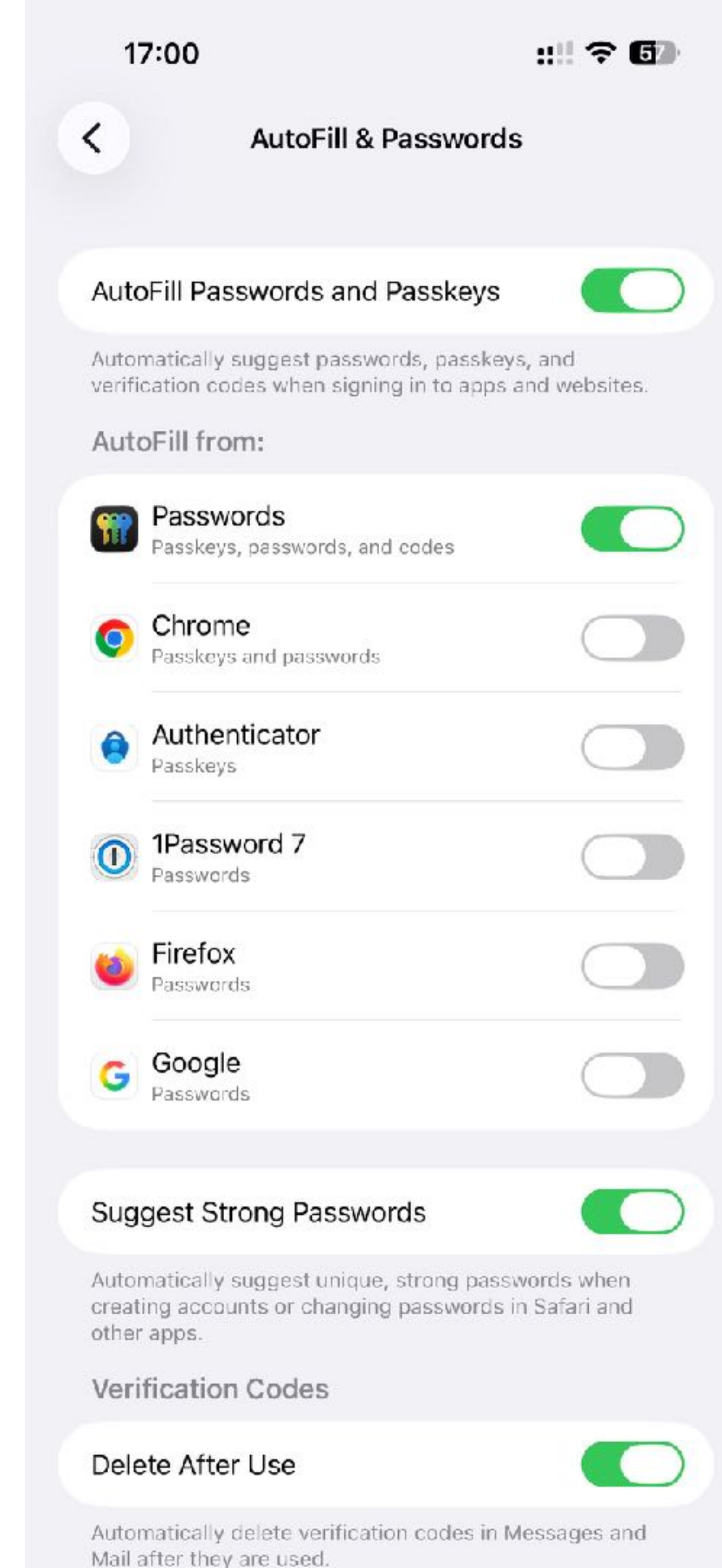
obvious but that you remember

- You will use the PIN often, so don't make it hard for you
- Turn on all the options for when you are asked to identify yourself.
- Note there is an option for Face ID with a mask



Passwords, Pt. 2

- macOS, iOS, and iPadOS all come with a password manager called: Passwords
- This phone also has 1Password, a commercial password application
- Chrome, Firefox, and Google can also save passwords to websites. On this phone, Autofill is turned off
- Google and Microsoft (Authenticator) also store passwords
- **Never, ever reuse a password**
- Repeat: never, ever reuse a password
- Passwords should be unique
- Use a password manager

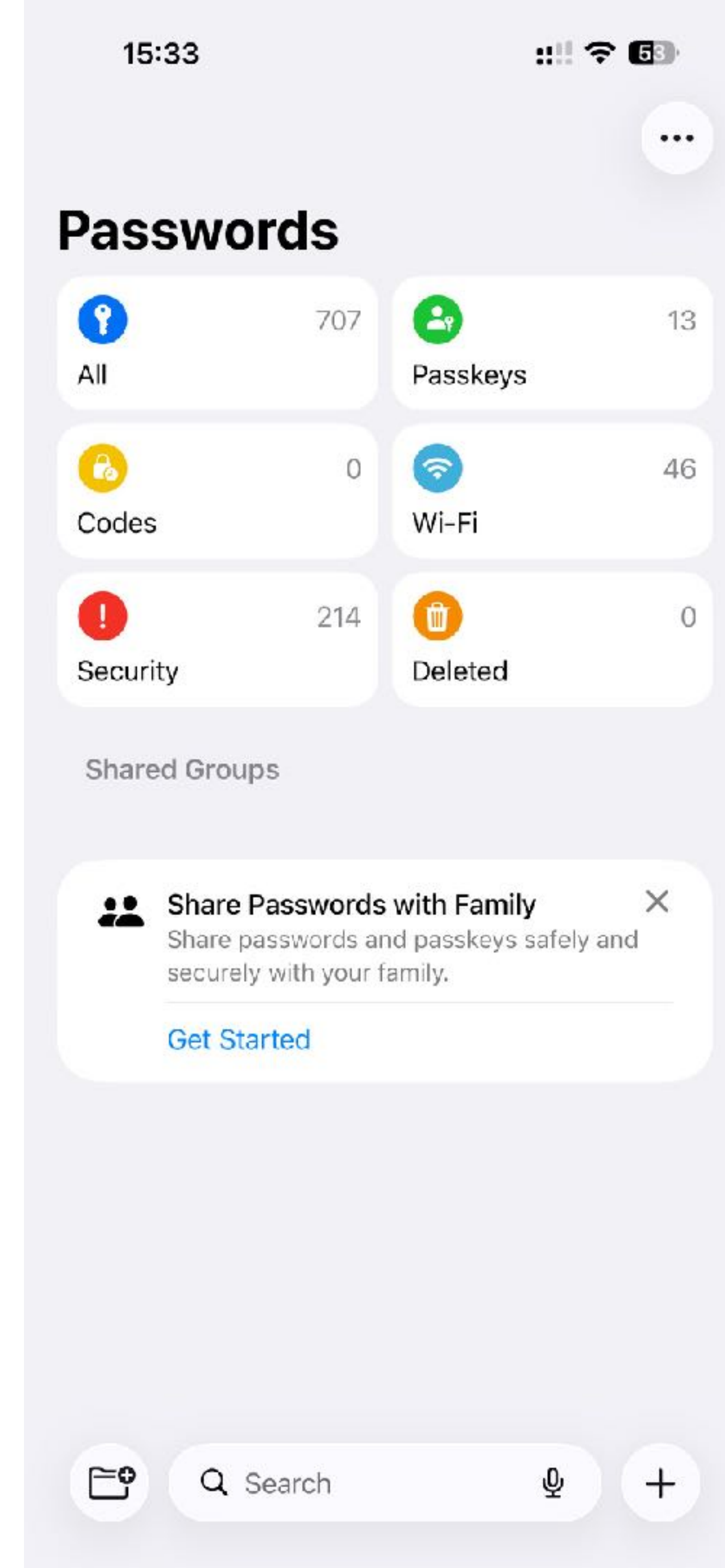


Passwords Pt. 3

- **Passwords**, application on Mac, iPhone, iPad
- Use Passwords, and sync them to iCloud so they can be shared between Mac, iPhone, iPad
- Passwords also checks security, and in this example has flagged 214 passwords because they are on hacked sites, are

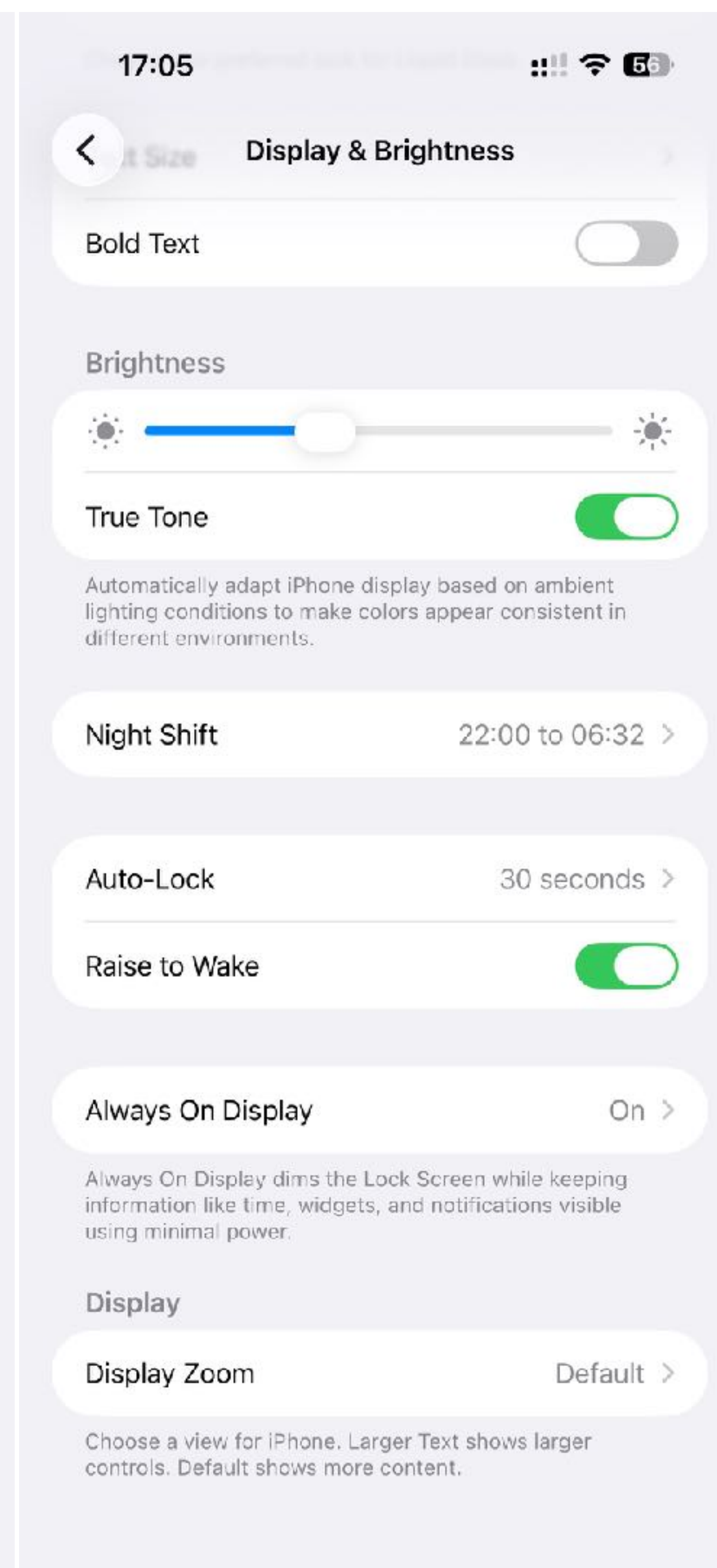
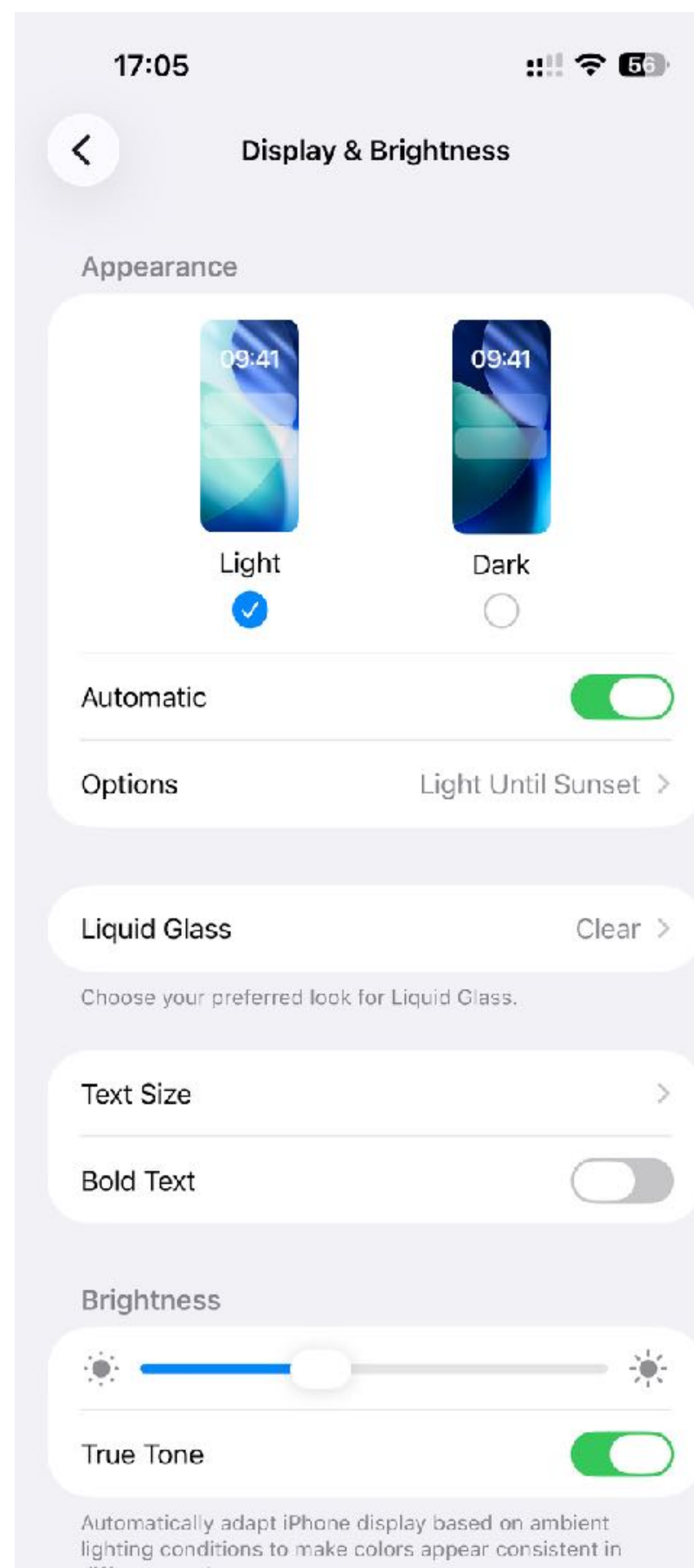
pathetically easy and obvious, or are repeated

- Note Passwords also allows your iPhone, iPad and Mac to share Wi-Fi passwords
- Family sharing is also possible



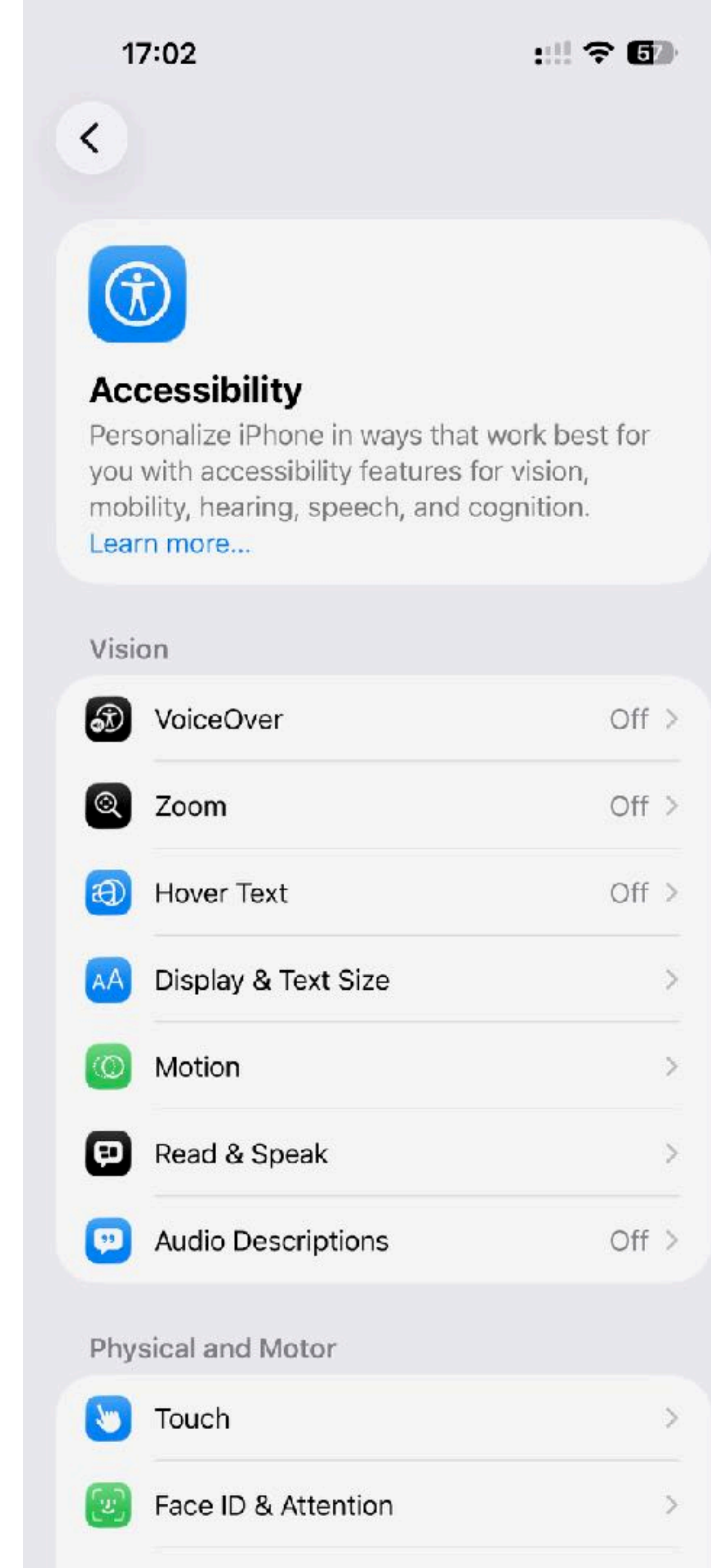
Display

- Settings > Display
- Choose light theme or dark theme
- Choose to have it update theme at sunset
- Can change Liquid Glass settings
- Can change text size
- Can change default brightness
- Can make Bold Text the default
- Can specify what you consider to be “night”
- Can set to Zoom the display



Accessibility

- Settings > Accessibility
- You can have your phone speak to you, reading text
- You can zoom text to make it larger
- You can change the size of text, boldness of text, increase contrast, invert the colors of the display, etc.
- You can control functions with your voice
- And lots more



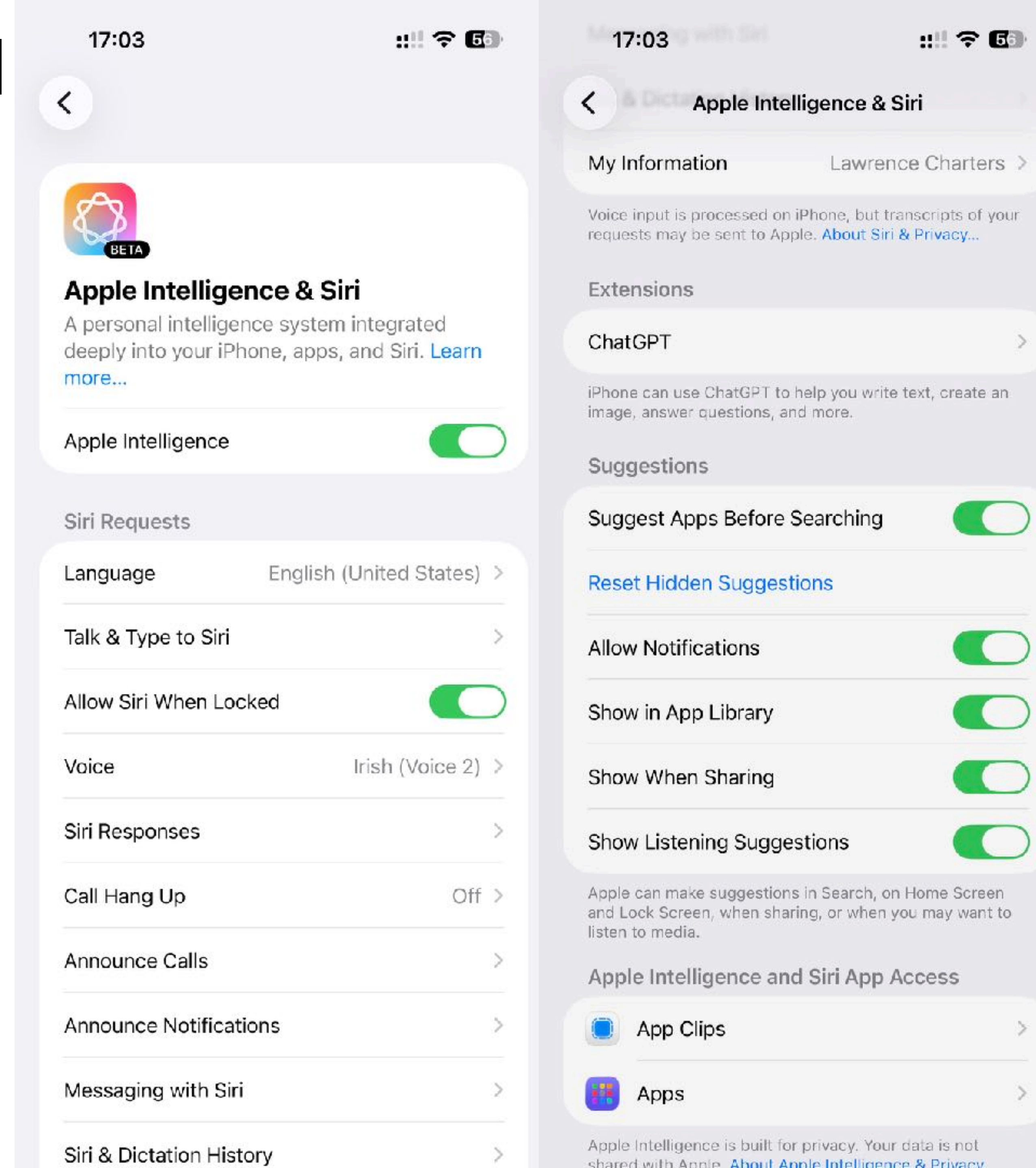
Dictionary (-ies)

- Settings > General > Dictionary
- You can specify one or more dictionaries for spell checking and other needs
- It is a long list: this phone has English (US), English (UK), French>English, German>English, Japanese>English selected



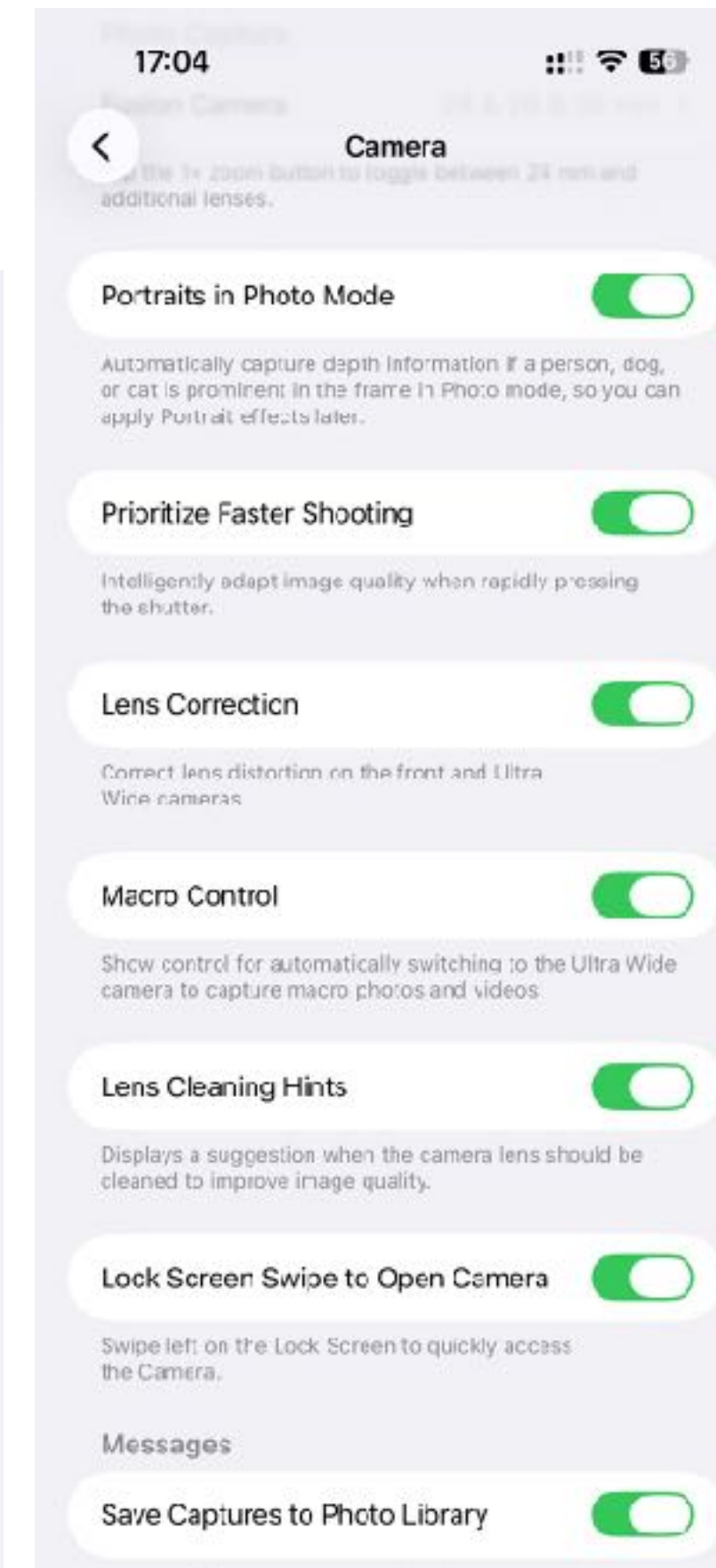
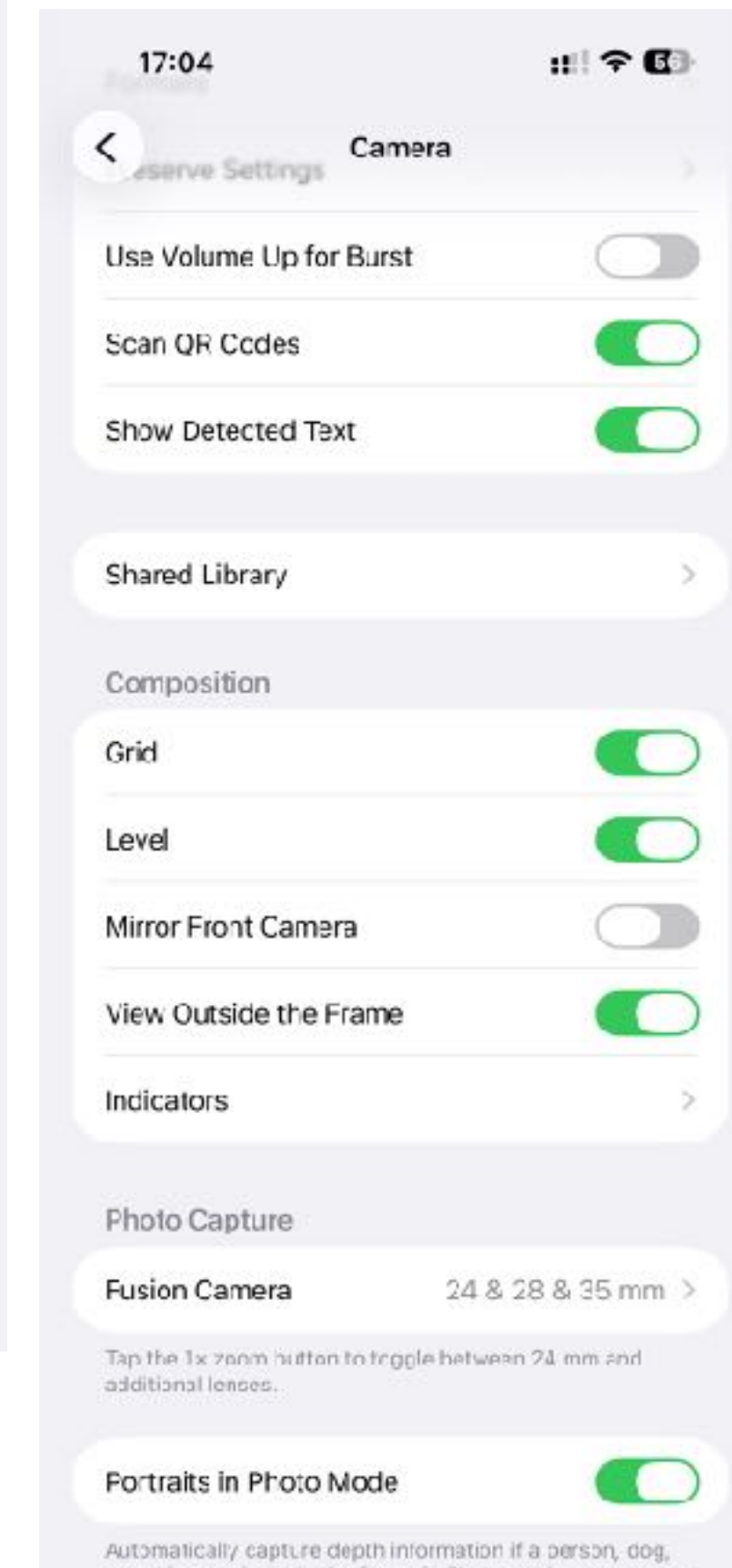
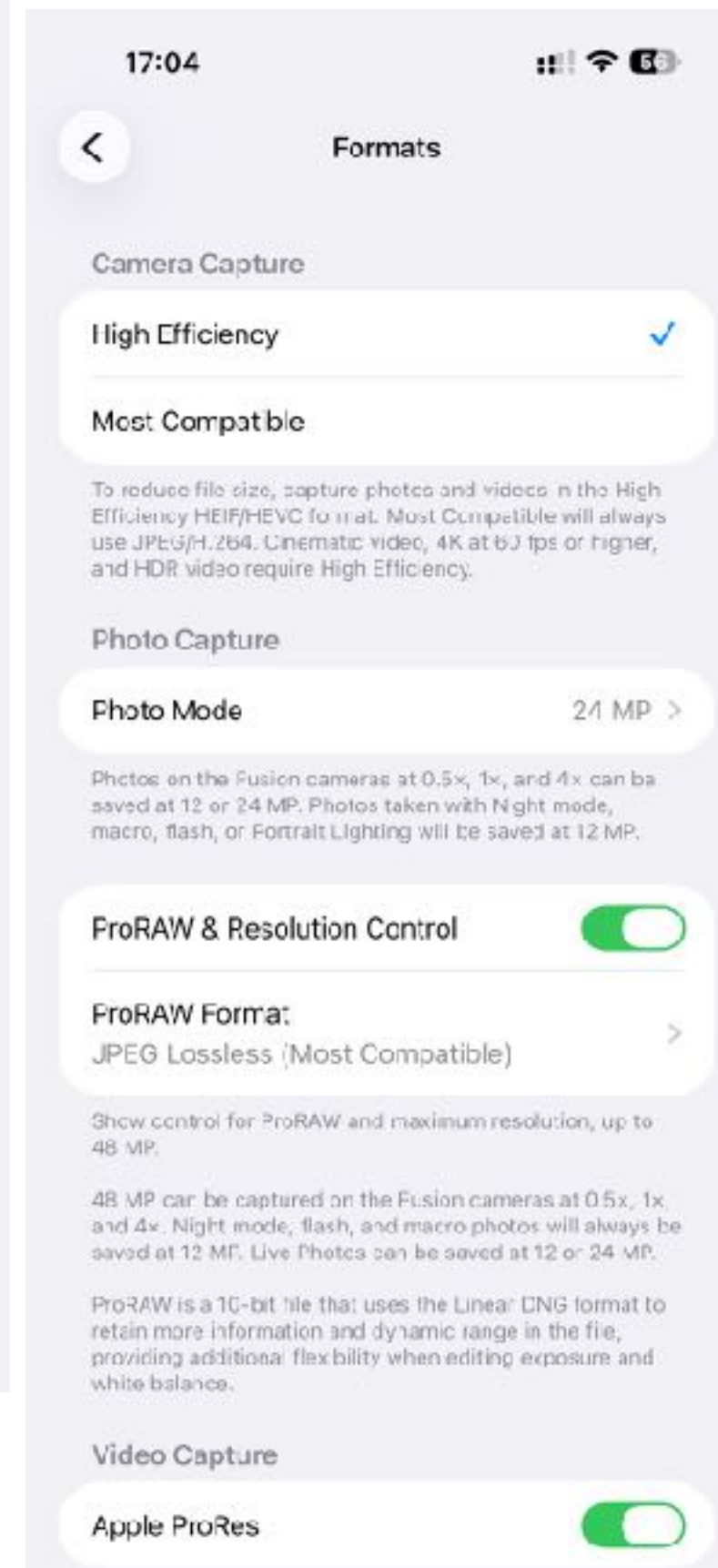
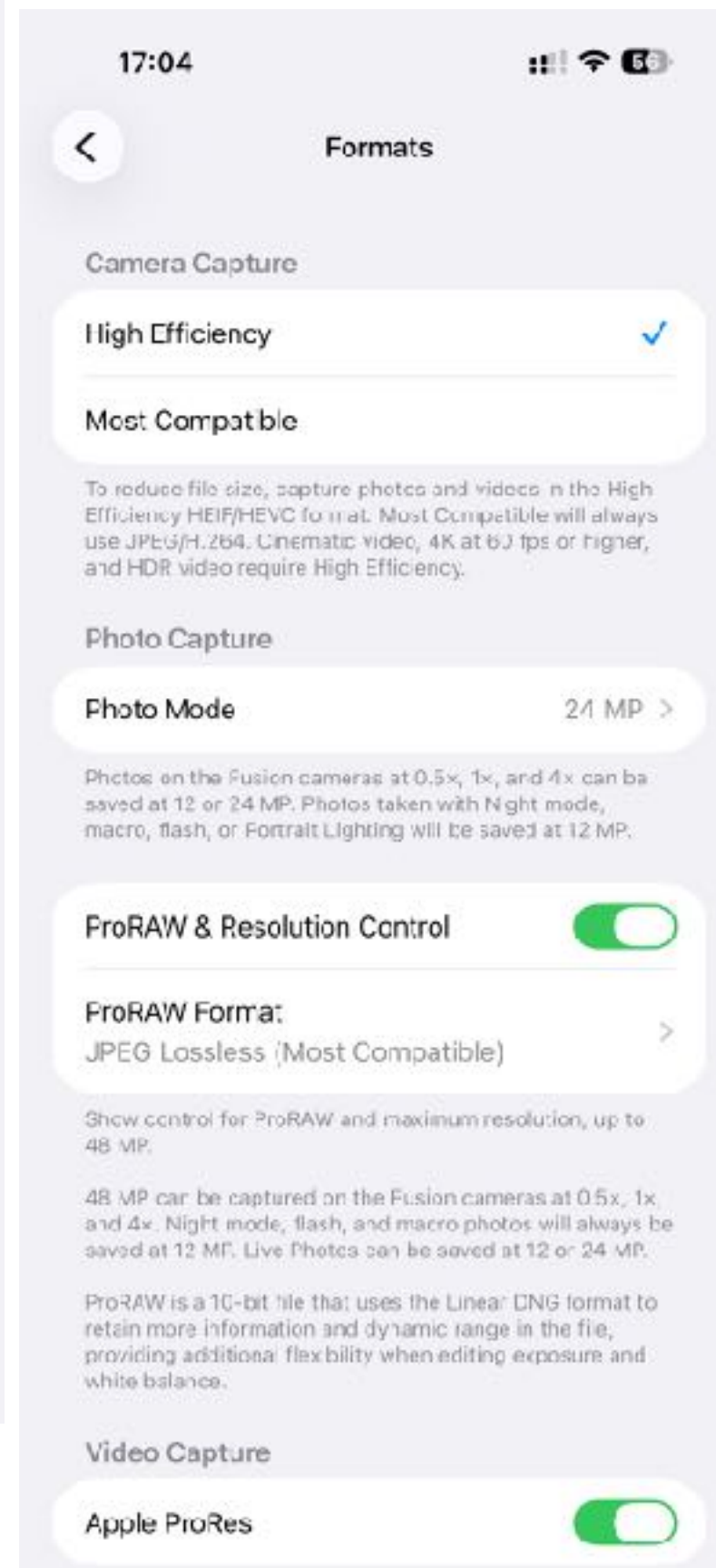
AI: Artificial Intelligence and Apple Intelligence

- Settings > Apple Intelligence & Siri
- You can set Siri to respond to voice, rather than pushing the side button
- You can change the voice Siri uses (this one is set to an Irish woman's voice)
- Siri can announce who is calling (useful)
- You can dictate notes, email, Messages, etc.
- You can turn Apple Intelligence on or off (it is safe to leave it on)
- And many other options



Camera

- Settings > Camera
- There are extensive camera controls
- May spend an entire meeting on just the camera

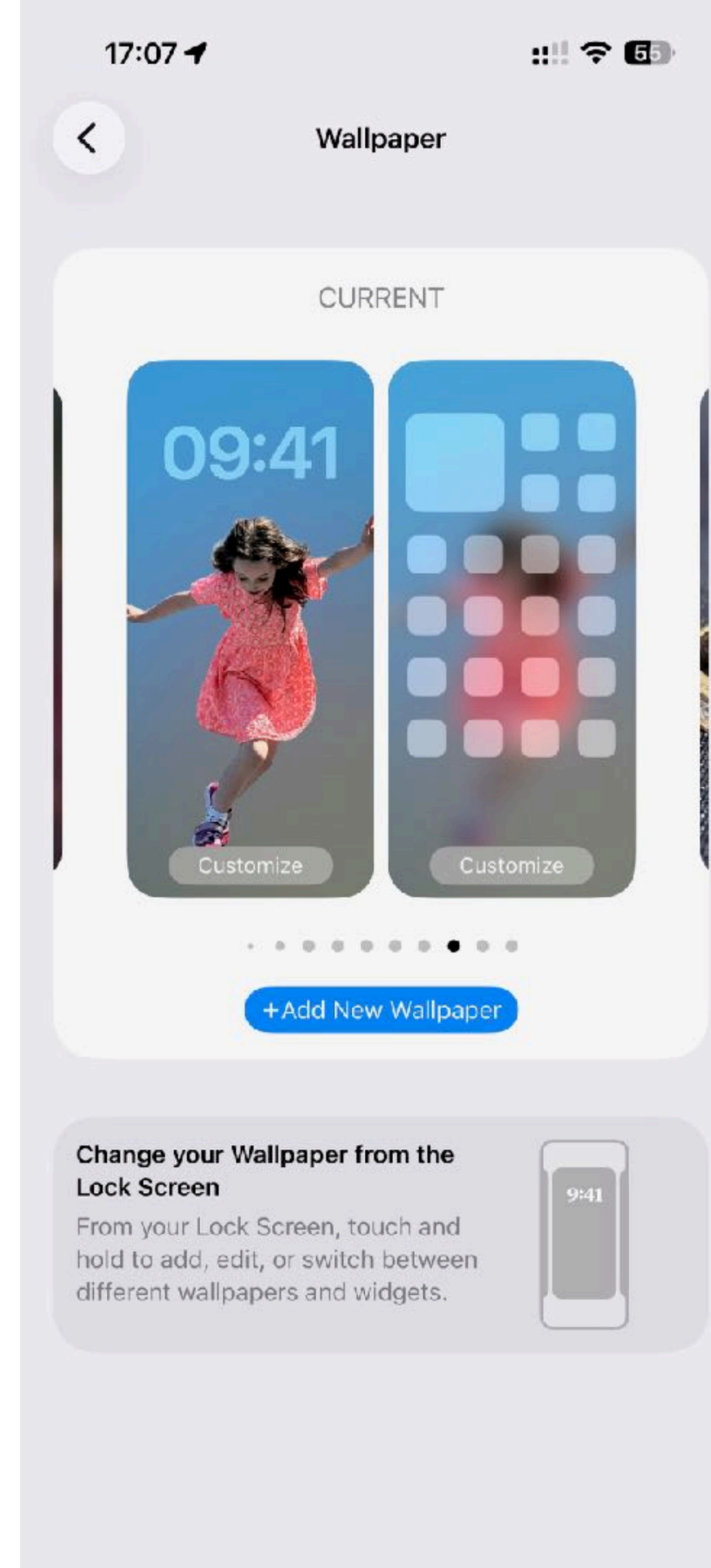


Demo: Organizing Photos

- Going to be using Photos on a Mac since it is easier to see...

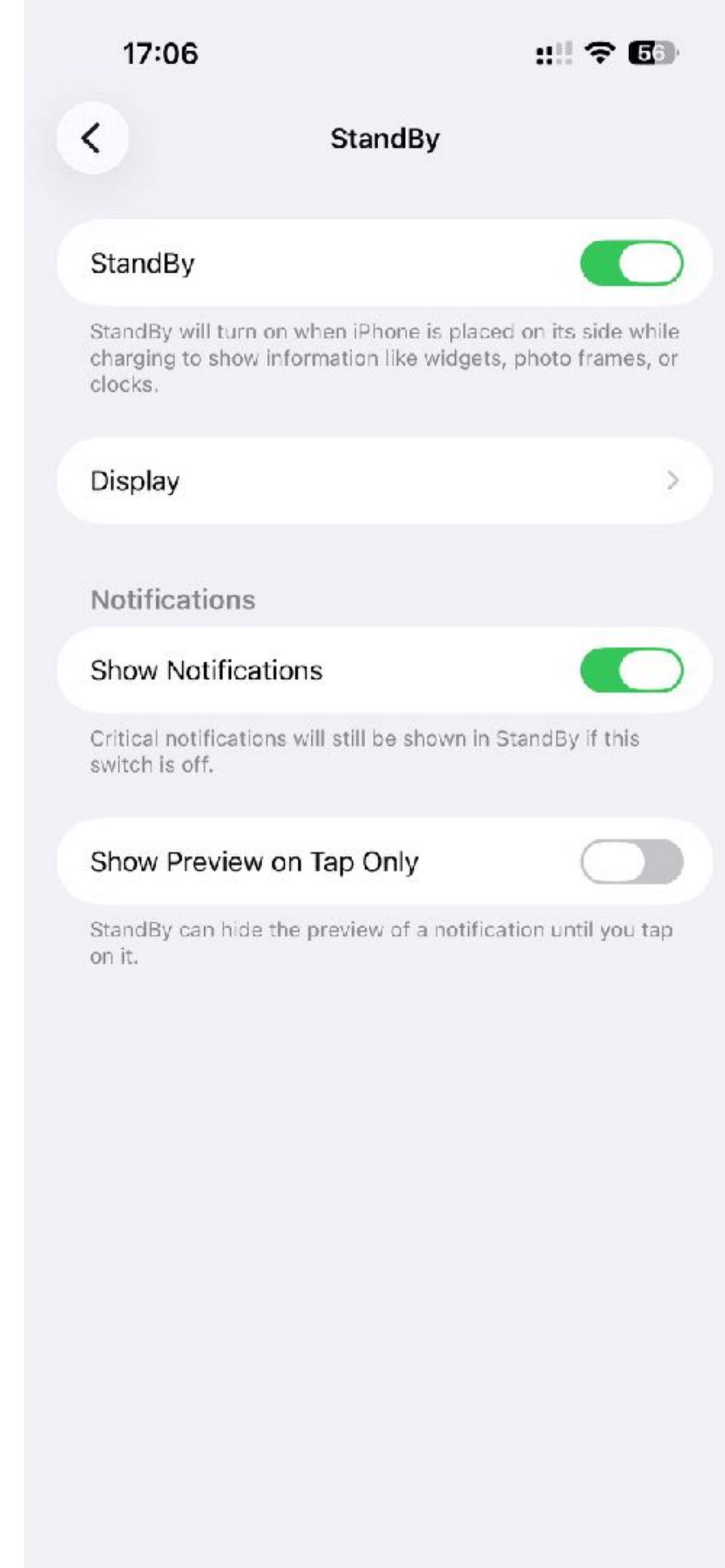
Wallpaper

- Settings > Wallpaper
- Can set different photos or patterns for when phone is locked and for desktop when it is open
- Can change at any time



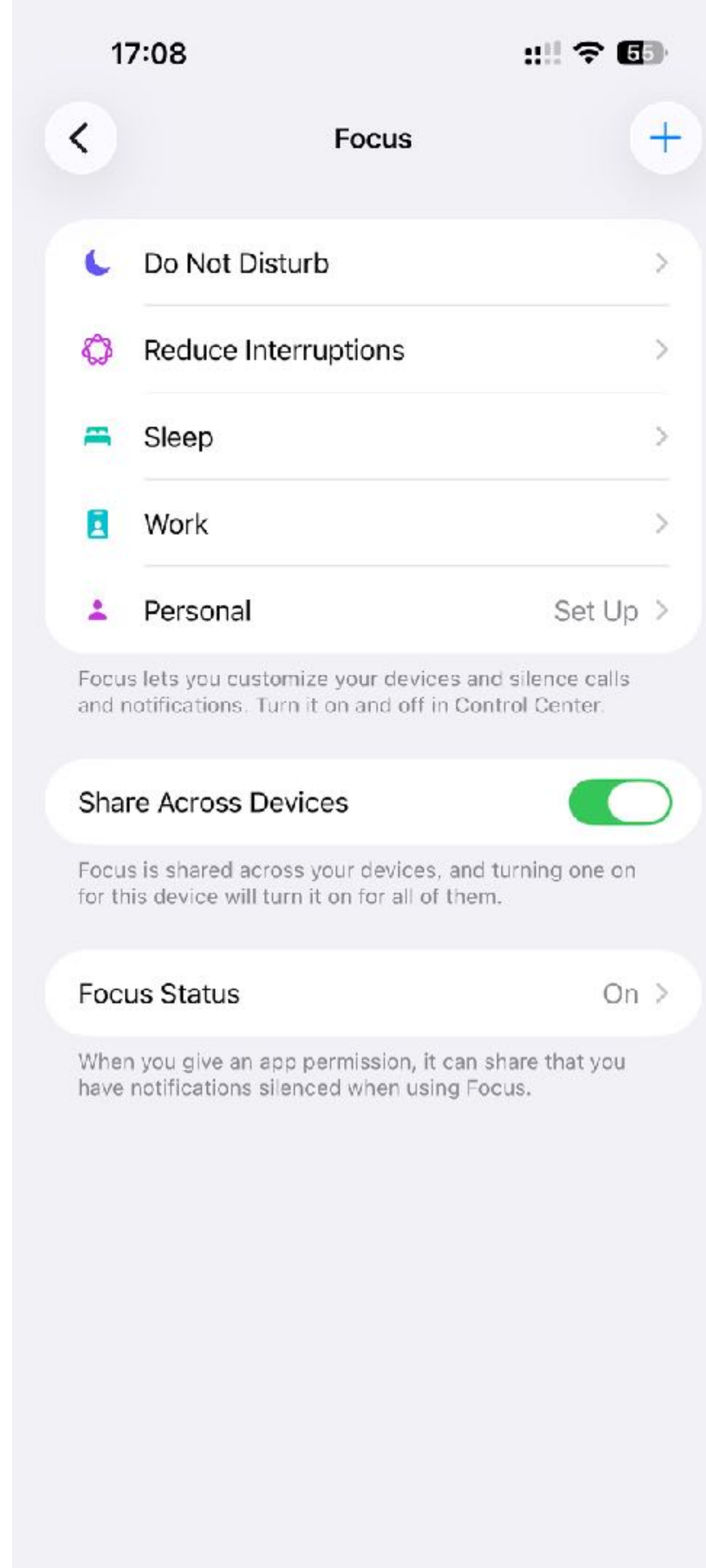
Standby

- Settings > Standby
- On newer phones, you can set them to be a nighttime clock, weather station, etc.
- Turn it on, put phone on charger, tilt it on its side
- You can buy stands to hold phone on its side while charging



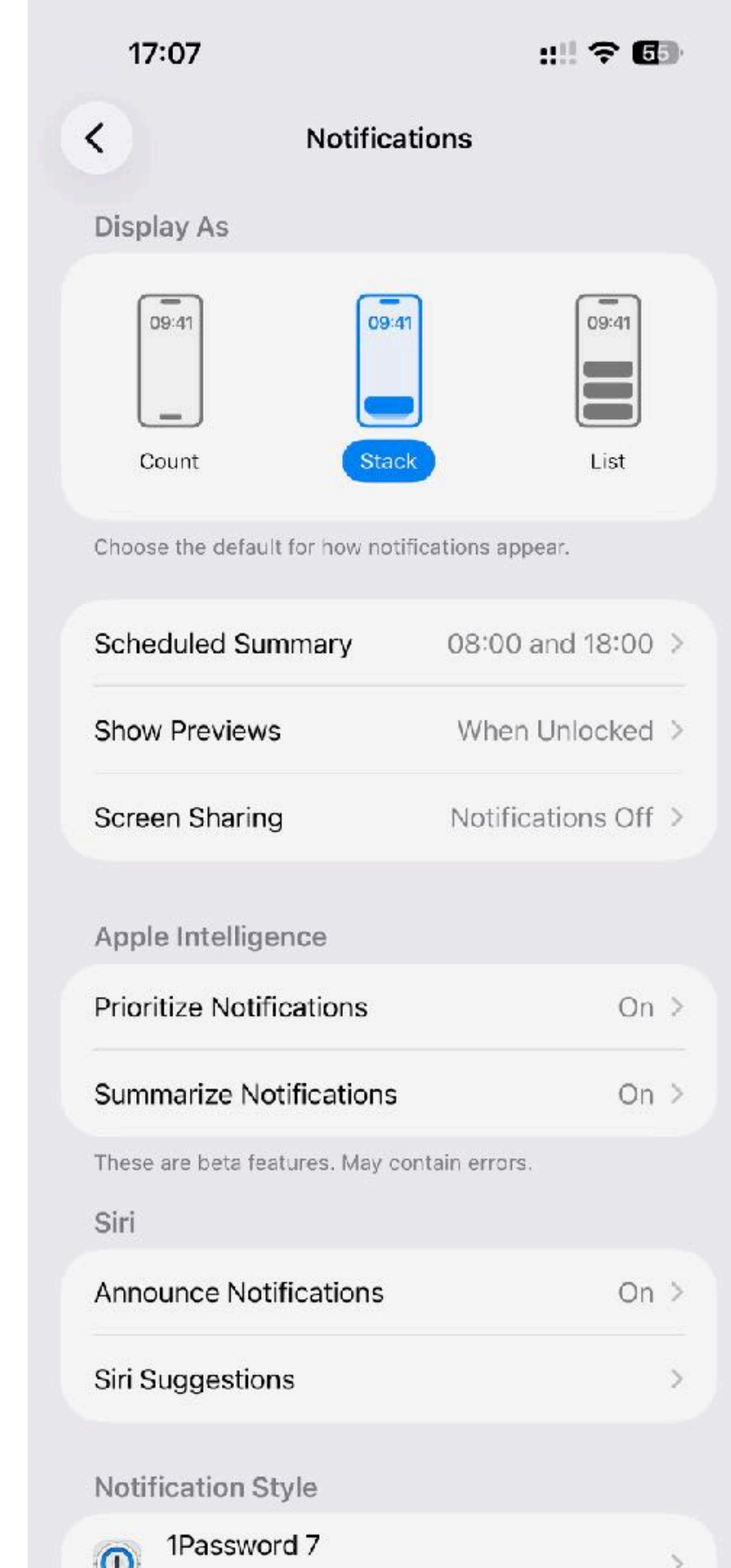
Focus

- Settings > Focus
- Can set Do Not Disturb times
- Can set Intelligent Breakthrough so that family members (VIPs) and emergency alerts will break through
- Can set Reduce Interruptions for work periods, study periods, meal times, etc.
- Can set Sleep Time to send calls to voicemail (except designated VIPs)
- Focus can be shared across devices (Mac, iPhone, iPad, Apple Watch)



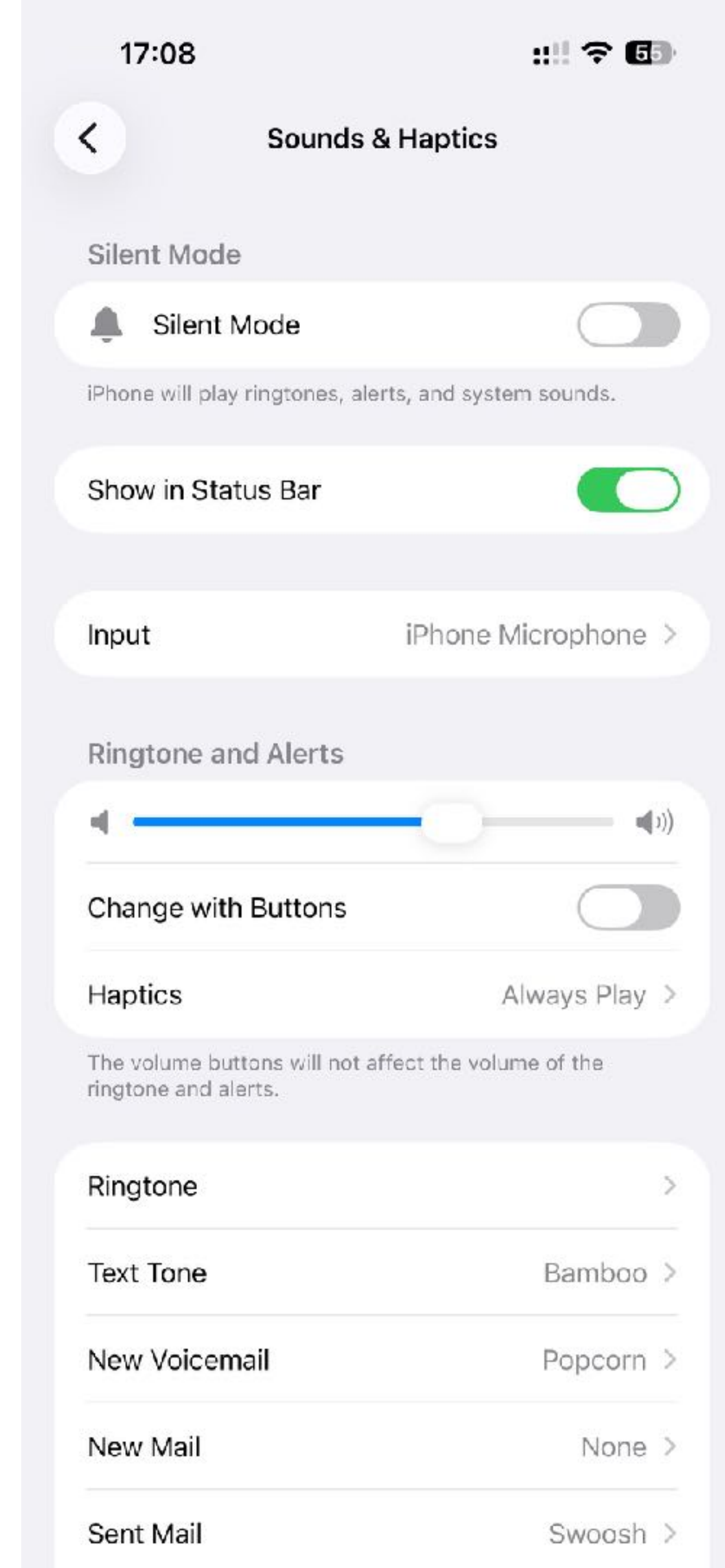
Notifications

- Settings > Notifications
- Can set Notifications to come in a clump at set times
- Can prioritize notifications
- Can set notifications for each individual app
- Example: may not want notifications from games, may want different kinds of notifications from a given app, may want notifications announced (by Siri)



Sounds and haptics

- Can set different ringtones for text messages, voicemail, new email, sent email, calendar alerts, reminder alerts, general alerts, keyboard sounds (or not)
- Can set volume limits, reduce loud sound, turn on headphone safety limits
- Can assign various alerts to be haptics (vibrations) instead of sounds
- You can make your own custom ringtones (not going to show how right now)

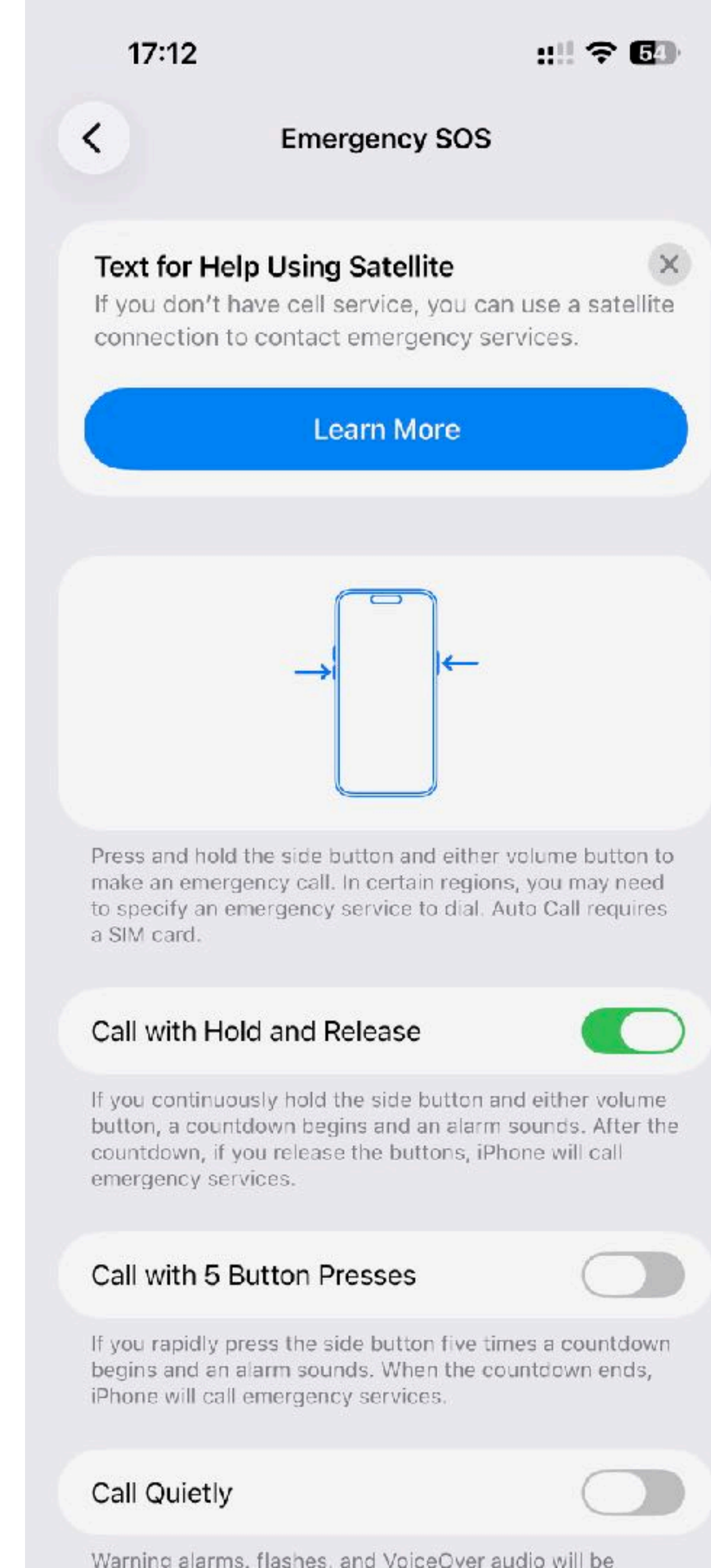


Emergency SOS

- Settings > Emergency SOS
- Can trigger by pressing side button and a volume button
- Can trigger with five quick side button presses
- Can call after crash (make sure turned On)
- Set Emergency Contacts - your Primary Care

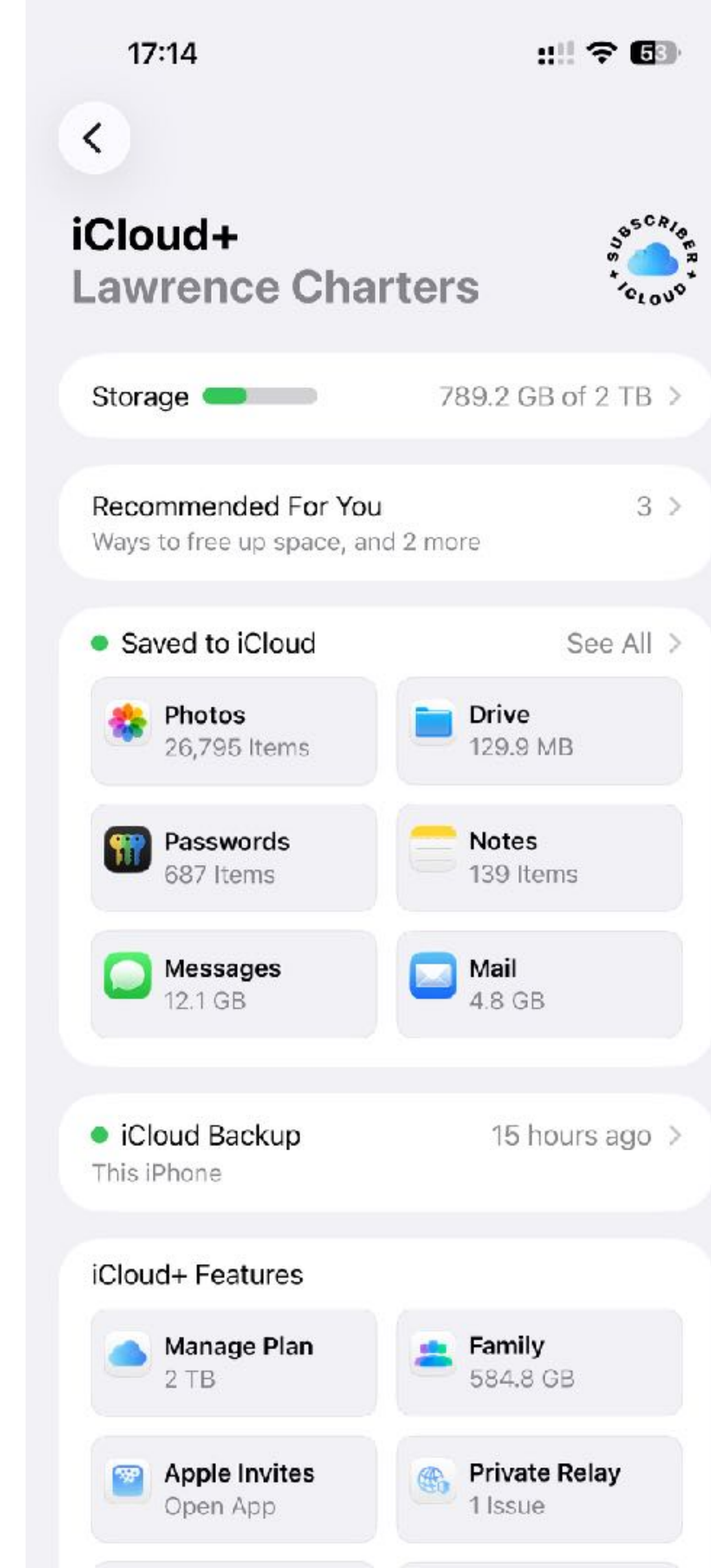
Provider, a family member (set with Health app)

- SOS via satellite available on some phones
- Apple Watch can also call 911 after a fall



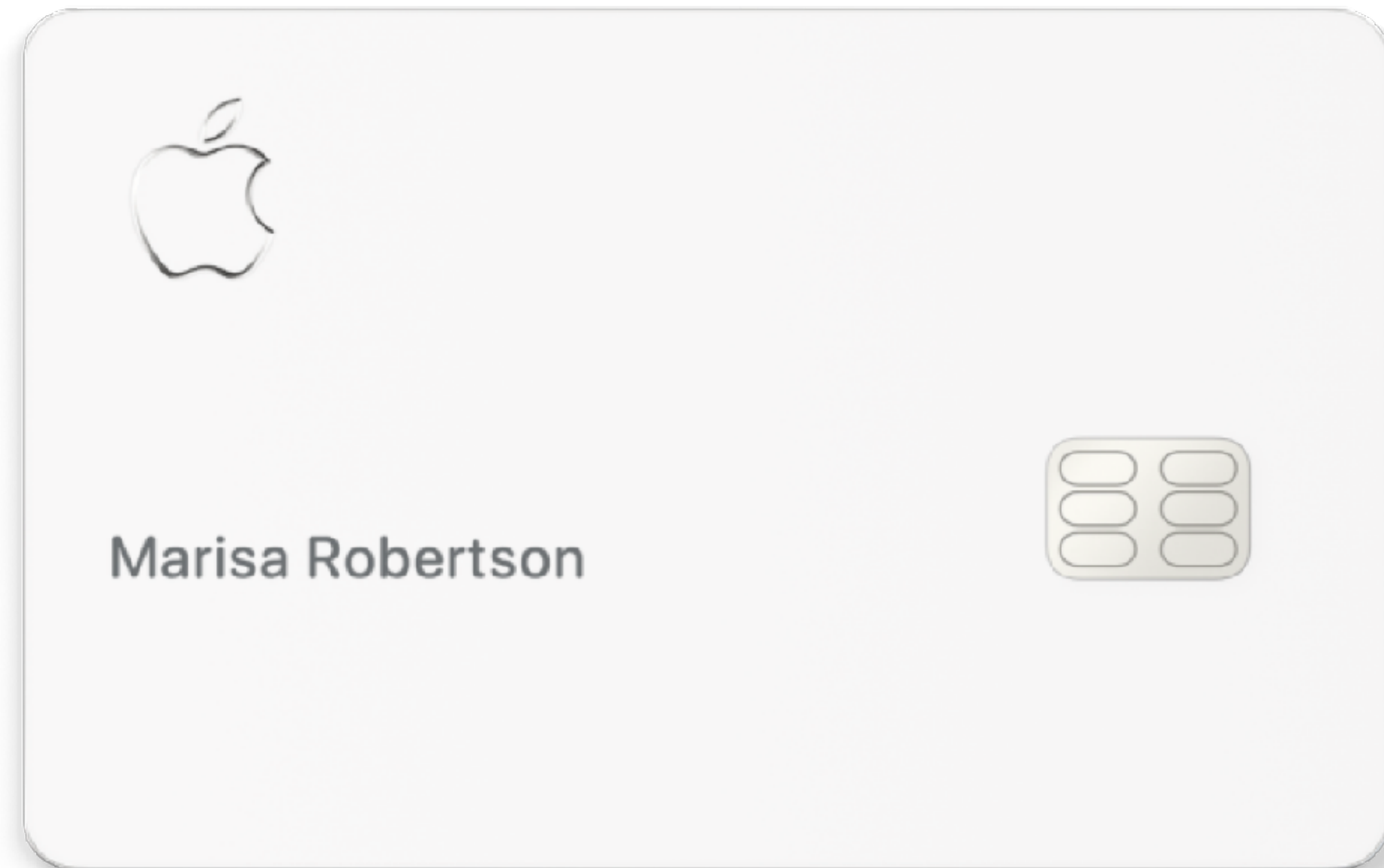
iCloud, iCloud+

- iCloud is free, 5 GB storage for email, messages, documents, etc.
- iCloud+ provides 50 GB: \$0.99, 200 GB: \$2.99, 2 TB: \$9.99, 6 TB: \$29.99, 12 TB: \$59.99 storage
- iCloud+ can be shared with family
- iCloud+ has Private Relay
- iCloud+ has Hide my Email
- More info: <https://support.apple.com/guide/icloud/icloud-overview-mmfc854d9604/icloud>



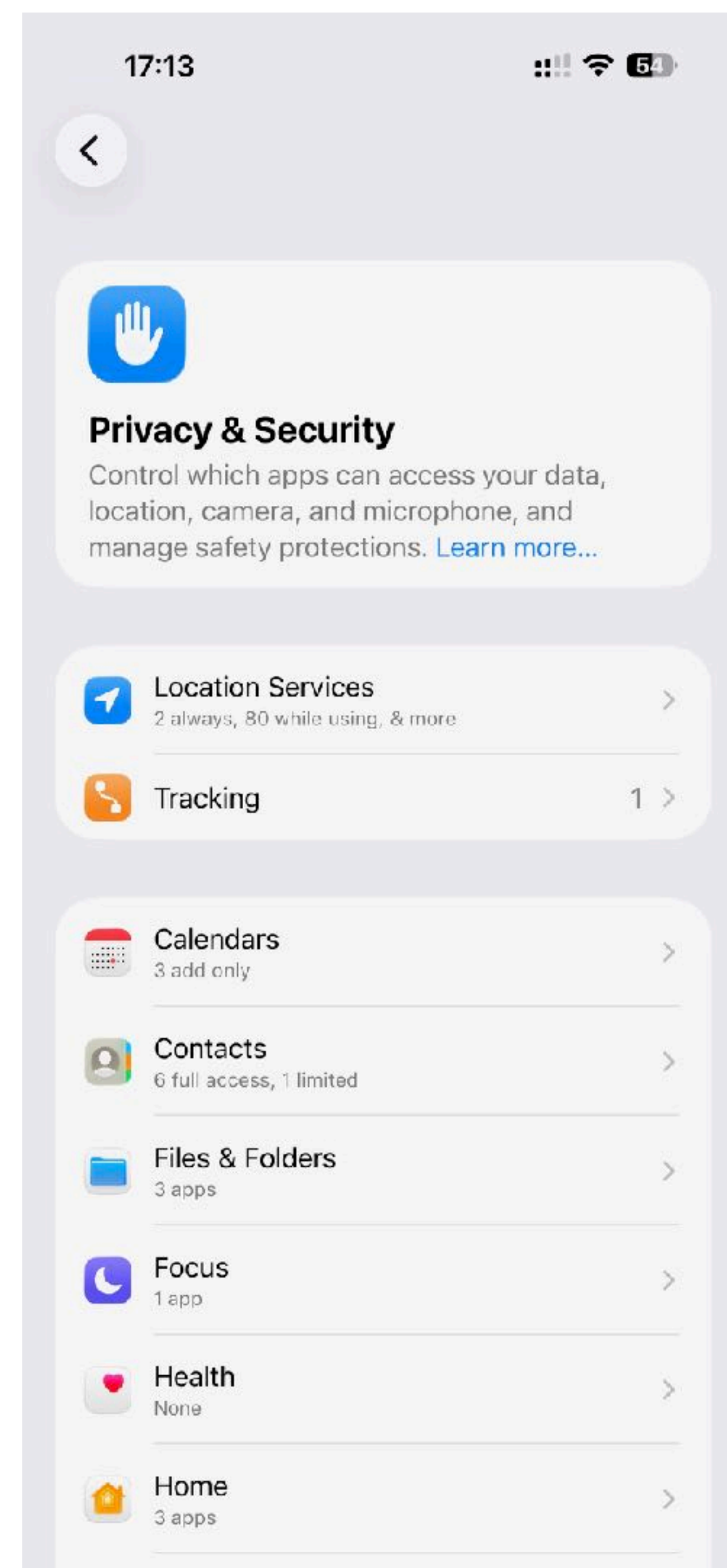
Apple Card

- Apply for Apple Card, <https://www.apple.com/apple-card/>
- Design to work with iPhone and Apple Wallet
- No fees
- Cash back (deposited to savings)
- No number on card, no CVV (Card Verification Value) on card
- Can set card to change CVV with every purchase
- Keep track of purchases, payments, etc., all on iPhone
- Perfect for online purchases



Privacy

- Requires a whole meeting



Other things you can do

- Measure things
- Find altitude
- Find weather
- Calculate tips
- Get directions
- Navigate (CarPlay)
- Record calls
- Record voice memos
- Tell time
- Set alarms
- Set reminders by location
- Pay for things (Apple Wallet)
- Carry a full electronic calendar
- Play games
- Take photos
- Draw
- Make phone calls...
- Etc., etc., etc.