

The Lord's Supper: A Celebration of our Lord's Love and Compassion - Phil. 1:9

A. Introduction: Amanda and "Joni and Friends"
"Wheels for the World"

B. The Lord's Supper is a Celebration of God's Love and Compassion ... for us, in Christ

1. The Priority of **LOVE**

2. The Virtues of **LOVE**

3. The GIFT of God's **LOVE** (NOT of works)

C. Concerning the Virtues of LOVE:

Love is Defining → The Christian distinctive.
"By this," (that is love for one another) Jesus said,
"all will know that you are My disciples" John
13:34-35

Love is Action → Loving only in our words is not Christ-like love. Biblical love is active, action!

Love involves Compassion → Feeling the hurts, needs, pain, struggles, then reaching out

Cf. Matthew 9:36; 14:14; Mark 1:41; **Col. 3:12**

Love is Costly → it involves sacrifice, it involves giving, it can often involve risk, BUT ...

Love is God's Reflection in US!! What a privilege. What a purpose. What a joy. What a calling! AND what an abundant entry into glory it will provide!!