

Morning Lesson

GOLDEN KEYS FOR SUCCESS "Growing Love"

TEXT: Phil. 1:9, 10

INTRO:

1. "What Is Love?"
It is silence -- when your words would hurt.
It is patience -- when your neighbor is curt.
It is deafness -- when a scandal flows.
It is thoughtfulness -- for other's woes.
It is promptness -- when duty calls.
It is courage -- when misfortune falls.
Author Unknown
2. Love is the essence of Christianity.
3. Love should govern every part of the Christian life.
4. Love may be enlarged by earnest prayer.

I. LOVE FOR GOD.

- A. He is perfect. **Deut. 32:3, 4**
- B. He has made a way for man's salvation. **John 3:16**
- C. He is the giver of our blessings. **James 1:17**

II. LOVE FOR ONE ANOTHER.

- A. Love promotes unity. **Eph. 4:1-3**
- B. Unity promotes strength.
- C. Strength in combined action results in victory.

III. LOVE FOR THE UNSAVED.

- A. This is godliness. **2 Pet 1:5-7; 3:9**
- B. This is following Christ. **Luke 19:10 Matt. 18:11**

CONC:

1. God becomes real when he is loved.
2. Brothers and sisters become real when they are loved.
3. The lost become real when they are loved.
4. Margery Williams -- The Velveteen Rabbit.