

Hebrews 13:5-6

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Introduction: What the world needs now is love, sweet love

1. Love Hindered

- a. Philadelphia and Philaxenia are in competition with Philarguros
- b. If we are obsessed with *getting for* ourselves, we cannot expect to be able to live a life of *giving of* ourselves

2. Love Defined

- a. The cost of Hebrews 13:5
- b. John 3:16, 1John 4:10
- c. This is our example of love

3. Love Empowered

- a. v5 is not just the example for our love but also what enables us to love
- b. Not just the fact of the Lord's presence, but His telling us about it. "He *Himself* has said" reflects a redundant (emphatic) pronoun in the Greek.
- c. What He tells us, we are to tell ourselves. And not just tell, but preach. Christian meditation is an essential spiritual discipline. Not the emptying of the mind, but the filling of the mouth.

Conclusion: We are now having the family meeting, as we do every week—what will you be doing between this one and the next?