In Love with Jesus!

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I.	God loved the by sending Jesus (Jn. 3:16)		
	a. Jesus' coming demonstrated God's		
	b. God satisfied His own (propitiation) by sending Jesus. (1 Jn. 4:9-10)		
II.	. How are we to respond to this love?		
	a. Don't it.		
	b it. (1 Jn. 4:11) Eph. 4:29-32		
	c. Be by it. (2 Cor. 5:12-15, 17-18)		
III. The results/purpose of this love.			
	a it (outward/ evangelistic) 1 Thess. 2:1-8		
	b. Be in it (inward/fellowship) Eph. 4:15-16		
	i. "The," which is not always what we want to hear or necessarily want to speak.		
	ii. "In," which is the motivation for speaking that truth. This is not a self-serving love, but a love under the control of Christ's love.		
IV.	strengthens this love. (1 Cor. 10:1-5, 14-17)		
	a. Moses and the Exodus were precursors to the church (v. 1-13)i. They followed! (v. 4)		

ii.	They did it	and were bound in unity	
	by it. (v. 1-4)		
iii.	Most of them fell into sin. (v. 5-13)		
Modern followers should learn from this (1 Cor. 10:14-17).			
i.	Run away from the sins s	o prevalent in society!	
ii.	Partake of the communion elements as a reflection/remembrance of Jesus' sacrifice and your participation in that through faith.		
iii.	This is a	ınd	

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- I. God loved the **world** by sending Jesus (Jn. 3:16)
 - Jesus' coming demonstrated God's <u>love</u>.
 - b. God satisfied His own <u>wrath</u> (propitiation) by sending Jesus. (1 Jn. 4:9-10)
- II. How are we to respond to this love?
 - a. Don't reject it.
 - b. <u>Reflect</u> it. (1 Jn. 4:11) Eph. 4:29-32
 - c. Be **regulated** by it. (2 Cor. 5:12-15, 17-18)
- III. The results/purpose of this love.
 - a. Reveal it (outward/ evangelistic) 1 Thess. 2:1-8
 - b. Be <u>united</u> in it (inward/fellowship) Eph. 4:15-16
 - a. "The <u>truth</u>," which is not always what we want to hear or necessarily want to speak.
 - b. "In <u>love</u>," which is the motivation for speaking that truth. This is not a self-serving love, but a love under the control of Christ's love.
- IV. Communion strengthens this love. (1 Cor. 10:1-5, 14-17)
 - a. Moses and the Exodus were precursors to the church (v. 1-5)
 - a. They followed **CHRIST**! (v. 4)
 - b. They did it <u>together</u> and were bound in unity by it. (v. 1-4)
 - c. Most of them fell into sin. (v. 5-13)
 - b. Modern followers should learn from this (1 Cor. 10:14-17).
 - a. Run away from the sins so prevalent in society!
 - Partake of the communion elements as a reflection/remembrance of Jesus' sacrifice and your participation in that through faith.
 - c. This is **symbolic** and **unifying**.