

## God's Wonderful Love

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The Lord's Table is a wonderful reminder of God's love for His own. In this life we will never know or understand the depth of His love toward us. Romans 5:8 reminds us, *while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us*. Without that rescuing love, we would all be helpless and hopeless, as a result of our sinful condition *for there is none righteous, no not one* (Rom 3:10).

The Early Christians celebrated the Lord's Table in connection with a love feast. They were to *tarry for another* (I Cor 11:33), showing proper concern for one another and love. The Apostle Paul desired that believers would have the same love one for another resulting in a unity unknown by those outside of Christ (Phil 2:1-5). This kind of love and unity can only be displayed by those who have truly experienced the love of God. Let us note together nine characteristics of God's Wonderful Love.

1. God's Love is Supernatural (John 3:16)
2. God's Love is Everlasting in Time (Jer 31:3)
3. God's Love is Persevering in Forgiveness (Hos 3:1)
4. God's Love is Immeasurable in Extent (Jn 15:9)
5. God's Love is Infinite in Definition (Jn 17:23)
6. God's Love is Permanent in Duration (Rom 8:38-39)
7. God's Love is Personal in Intimacy (Jn 14:21; Gal 2:20)
8. God's Love is Supportive in Strength (Gal 5:6)
9. God's Love is Evidential in Proof (Rom 5:8)