"Friends of Jesus"

John 15:9-17

I. Introduction – 1 Pet. 4:13; Phil. 4:4

II. Characteristics of Friends of Jesus - John 14:13; Rom 13:8-10; 5:5; 1 John 4:7-8; 3:16; Rom 5:10; John 3:16; Matt. 5:45; 1 John 3:17-18; Eph 5:2; John 13:35; Eph. 2:8-10; John 8:31; Mark 12:38-31; Rom. 10:9; Isa. 41:8; Gen. 18; Heb. 4:16; Rom. 16:25-26; 1 Cor. 2:14; John 15:19; Matt. 7:20; 28:19-20; Psa. 25:14; John 13:34-35

A. Friends of Jesus _____ each other

1. Jesus' love, agape love, is a _____ love
2. One must _____ to love sacrificially0.

B. Friends of Jesus _____ Him

1. Obedience is the result of _____
2. Christians must obey _____ of God's Word.

C. Friends of Jesus _____ God's plans

D. Friends of Jesus have been _____by Him

1. Friends are appointed to do God's _____
2. God's will and purpose must become _____ will & purpose

III. Conclusion – Gal. 5:22; 1 Pet. 1:22; 2 Tim. 2:15; 1 John 2:15; Eph. 4:1-3; John 15:5; Isa. 64:6; Phil. 4:13

A. Along with privileges comes _____

B. Jesus and His will are to be of _____ priority.

C. To be successful, we must _____ in Jesus Christ.

"If external behaviors are in place of a loving servant heart, they are worthless;
but if a loving servant heart does not express itself in external behaviors,
we are deceiving ourselves."