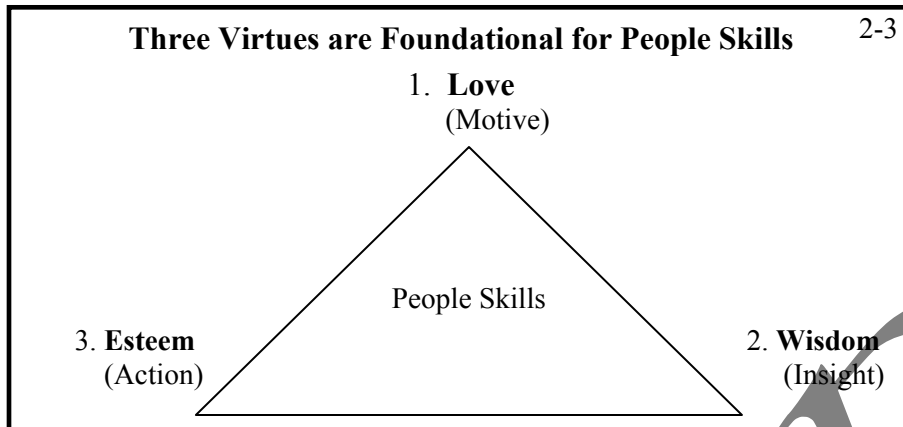


B. Three Virtues Are Foundational for People Skills.

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1. Love: The proper motive.

And he has given us this command: Whoever loves God must also love his brother (1Jn 4:21).

- We can have many motives, but only agape (unconditional) love will give the long-term motive to truly understand others.
- We must ask God to give us love for people.

[See Appendix 2A]

2. Wisdom: The proper insight.

Who is wise and understanding among you? Let him show it by his good life, by deeds done in the humility that comes from wisdom (Jas 3:13).

- Wisdom allows us to see people from God's perspective.
- Wisdom also helps us to know the right way to respond.

[See Appendix 2B]

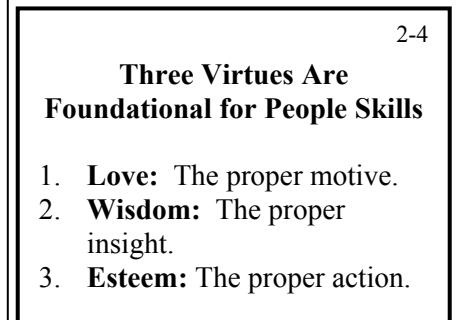
3. Esteem: The proper action.

Dear children, let us not love with words or tongue but with actions and in truth (1Jn 3:18).

- Ultimately, our understanding of people must transition from godly motive and insight into actions.
- Love requires more than just words, but actions. Esteem is the "visible" part of our people skills, revealing our motive and insight.

[See Appendix 2C]

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Three Virtues Are Foundational for People Skills

1. **Love:** The proper motive.
2. **Wisdom:** The proper insight.
3. **Esteem:** The proper action.

See the three related Appendices for these virtues:
2A – Increasing Your Capacity for Love.
2B – Increasing Your Capacity for Wisdom.
2C – Increasing Your Capacity to Esteem Others.

All Three Virtues Are Required

- No Love** – Wisdom and esteem without love means your motive is self-seeking and your actions manipulative.
- No Wisdom** – Love and esteem without wisdom means your expressions may lack proper perspective.
- No Esteem** – Love and wisdom without esteem means you have no tangible demonstration of people skills.