

Love God with Everything

Mark 12:28-34

Key Verse: 30

1. Read verses 28-29. Who had been listening to Jesus' debate? What question did he ask Jesus? Why did he ask this question? How did Jesus answer? What does the phrase "Hear, O Israel" mean? Why is it important to know that God is one? (c.f. Ex 3:14, Jn 14:6)
2. What is the most important command? What does verse 30 mean? (see Message Bible) Why must we do this? (c.f. 1 Jn 4:19, Mt 6:24) How can we show our love for God?
3. What is the second important command? (31) Why is it the test of loving God? (c.f. 1 Jn 4:20) How much must we love our neighbor? Who is our neighbor? (Lk 10:30-37)
4. Read verses 32-34. How did the teacher of the law respond? What did Jesus say about his answer? What did he need to do now? What about you?