



Part Four: Just Loving

What are the most important words that we want to make sure we pass on to the next generation? What are you willing to do to make sure that that message gets delivered?

Scripture: Mark 12:28-34

Bottom Line: We are compelled to leave a legacy of compelling love.

Discussion Questions

1. What are some of the things that you have directly or indirectly been told to pursue with all that you have? How has placing such importance on those things affected you? What emotions come to the surface when you think about those things? Are they mostly positive or negative?
2. Read Mark 12:28-34. What do you think it should look like to love God the way that Jesus outlines it? Why is it important that Jesus prefaces his command to love with the fact that the Lord is the one and only God? Look up Deuteronomy 6 for some context on this passage. Do those verses help you understand Jesus' command any better?
3. Are there things in your life that you treat as if they were God (good things that you have made into ultimate things)?
4. Describe what it means to love your neighbour as yourself? Who do you think Jesus is referring to when he talks about your 'neighbour'?
5. What are the implications of the response by the scribe ("this is more important than all the burnt offerings and sacrifices")? What is this significant? How would you apply that principle to how we view our lives as Christians today?

Moving Forward

If love for God and love for others are the most important things according to Jesus, what are ways that your view of your religious/spiritual life needs to change? Are there things that you need to reprioritize in light of this message? Be specific and pray for one another in these areas.