



Sermon Questions

August 24th, 2025 | Scripture: Matthew 22:34-40 (The Greatest Commandment)

Pre-study: 3 things from the sermon. *Write down 3 ideas, illustrations, quotes, or points that made an impression in the sermon.*

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

WORSHIP THROUGHOUT THE WEEK

Here are some other ways you can meet with God throughout the week:

Reflect on these Scriptures:

- Leviticus 19:17-18
- Deuteronomy 6:4-9
- Matthew 23:1-12
- John 13:34-35
- Romans 13:8-10
- Ephesians 5:1-21
- 1 John 3:11-4:21

Pray: Without the cross, the greatest commandment is impossible to fulfill. Take time to reflect upon 1 John 4:10 and praise God for his redeeming love. Then ask him to empower you to love others in the same way that he has loved you.

Serve: As the new ministry year approaches, take time to visit our website linked below and consider where the Lord might be calling you to take just one step towards exercising your gifts to love our church and the local and global communities that we partner with.

<https://mcleanpres.org/serve/>

Core Questions

1. Who were the Pharisees and Sadducees, and how does that context help us set the scene of this passage?
2. Why does Jesus include the qualifier “with all your heart, soul, and mind” to the first commandment and “as yourself” to the second commandment he gives?
3. Why does Jesus say that “all of the Law and the Prophets” depend on the two commandments he gives?

Inward Grace in Action

1. What is the most important “commandment” in your house/church/community group? How does this passage challenge/affirm/call us to grow in that?
2. When do you need Jesus’s love to empower you the most right now? In your love of God or neighbor?

Outward Grace in Action

1. Who is the Spirit calling you to move toward in love as a result of this passage? To challenge them, comfort them, etc.?