

Mark:
Just
Jesus
Son of the Man

Following Jesus & Talking Family

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Mark 12:28-31

²⁸ One of the teachers of the law came and heard them debating.

Noticing that Jesus had given them a good answer, he asked him, “Of all the commandments, which is the most important?”

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²⁹“The most important one,” answered Jesus, “is this: ‘Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one.’ ³⁰ Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.’ ³¹ The second is this: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ There is no commandment greater than these.”



Old Testament Connections...

Deuteronomy 6:4-5

⁴ Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. ⁵ Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength.

Leviticus 19:18

¹⁸“Do not seek revenge or bear a grudge against anyone among your people, but love your neighbor as yourself. I am the Lord.”

“Sometimes the church is just odd: habits, speech, attitudes, potlucks, whatever. Every church is something particular and you smell it the moment you’re on the premises. The point isn’t whether a church is odd, but whether it’s odd because it imitates Jesus Christ...

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...the attention to structures, the organization of programs, the advocacy efforts and other tasks.... All of that is just housekeeping detail if the vocation of simply following Jesus in loving God and neighbor is not primary.”

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Connecting to God



Connecting to God

Connecting to others



Connecting to God

Connecting to others

Connecting to purpose



Connecting as a church family...

Mark 12:32-34

³²“Well said, teacher,” the man replied. “You are right in saying that God is one and there is no other but him. ³³ To love him with all your heart, with all your understanding and with all your strength, and to love your neighbor as yourself is more important than all burnt offerings and sacrifices.”

Mark 12:32-34

³⁴ When Jesus saw that he had answered wisely, he said to him,
“You are not far from the kingdom of God.”