**Love the Lord with All Your Heart**

Mark 12:28-44

Key Verse 12:30 “Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.”

1. What does the phrase, “the Lord our God, the Lord is one” tell us about God? (29; Exodus 20;3, Isaiah 45:21) Why is it important to know that there is only one true God and worship him alone?

2. What is the most important commandment? (30; Deuteronomy 6;5) What does it mean to love God with all our heart, soul, mind and strength? How did God demonstrate what real love is? (Romans 5:8)

3. What are the things that prevent us from loving God in this way? How is this command illustrated in the examples of the teachers of the law and the poor widow? (38:40, 41-44)

4. What is the second greatest commandment and how is it related to the first? (31; 1 John 4:20-21) Why must we love those who don’t seem to deserve our love? (Matthew 5:43-48)

5. How did Jesus compliment this particular teacher of the law? (32-34) How did Jesus uncover the ignorance of the teachers of the law on who the Messiah is? (35-37)