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## *Devotion for March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022*

### *Mark 12:28-44*

**Love.** Something you would think should be a simple concept but lately seems to becoming a more and more loaded topic. What does love mean? How do we love? Is love permissive? Is it aggressive? What are the different kinds of love? What if we don't feel love?

Unfortunately, when sin entered the world love was completely perverted and changed from what God had planned. He loved His creation, He used that love to set an example to Adam and Eve so that they could love the children they were blessed with, and teach them to love each other.

While sin may have corrupted our love for each other, it did not change God's love for us. He still loves us unconditionally. This is what our Lord, Jesus Christ, is highlighting through His teaching in these verses. That we are to love God above all else, with everything we have we are to love God. And from this will flow our love for each other.

Now loving God does mean trying, though we fail, to follow His commands. This example He has outlined for the Christian life is done out of love. Too often we may think that love means allowing anything and everything. But God loves us by telling us not to kill, by encouraging proper relationship for marriage and families. From this we learn what it is to love and care for those around us.

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