

LOVE GOD

THE GREAT COMMANDMENT

Sermon Questions

1. Before listening to the sermon, how would you define love?

2. This chapter speaks about obedience, blessing, the land, and the coming generation, but above all it speaks about THE (singular) _____.
3. What is the one, great commandment? _____
4. Love is a positive emotion that you feel. (True/False)
5. List the four characteristics of love that we see in Deuteronomy 6. To love God means that we...
 - i. _____ by his word.
 - ii. Remain _____.
 - iii. Selflessly _____ (not selfishly demand).
 - iv. Remember and _____ his love.
6. Are Adam, Moses, and Israel a “type” of Christ (i.e., they prefigure Christ in some way)? (Yes/No)
7. How did Christ’s temptations demonstrate that he loved the Father?
 - i. He lived by his _____ (Deut 8:3).
 - ii. He remained _____ (Deut 6:13).
 - iii. He selflessly _____ (Deut 6:16).
8. Christ loved the Father. We did not. This is why we need the _____. Christ’s merit becomes ours and our punishment becomes his.
9. What is our greatest motivation to love God, both in this generation and the one to come?

Discussion Questions

1. Deuteronomy 6:6–9 teaches that loving God means treasuring, teaching, and remembering his word in everyday life. In what specific areas of your daily routine could you more intentionally treasure and talk about God’s word (with your children, spouse, or others)? What is one practical step you can take this week to make God’s word more central in your home or personal life?
2. The sermon highlighted that loving God means remaining loyal to him in both times of prosperity and trial. Can you think of a time when prosperity or difficulty tempted you to shift your loyalty away from God? What does it look like practically to “fear God, serve him, and swear by his name” (Deut 6:13) when facing pressure from culture, work, or relationships?
3. Deuteronomy 6:16 warns against putting God to the test like Israel did at Massah. How does an “entitlement attitude” toward God show up in our prayer life or expectations? In what ways can we shift from demanding that God serve our needs to joyfully doing what is right in his sight?
4. The chapter ends by calling us to tell the next generation about God’s saving love, and the sermon connected this to Christ’s greater rescue. How has understanding that “we love because He first loved us” (1 John 4:19) changed the way you love God and others? What is one concrete way you can intentionally pass on the message of God’s love in Christ to your children, grandchildren, or others in your life this week?
5. What was your most significant take-away from this passage and sermon?

Discussion Questions for Children

1. The Bible says the most important thing is to love God with all your heart, soul, and strength. What are some ways you can show God you love Him—not just by feeling happy about him, but by listening to his word and doing what he says? Can you think of one thing you can do this week to show God you love Him?
2. Deuteronomy 6 tells us that when we love God, we treasure his words and talk about them with our family. What’s one way you can remember God’s word better at home (like reading the Bible together or putting verses where you can see them)?