

**The King and His People**  
**The Great Commandments**  
**Mark 12:28-34**

Sermon Notes for July 11, 2021

**The One Word that sums up God's desire for us and from us:**

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1. L \_\_\_\_\_ **God** W \_\_\_\_\_

2. L \_\_\_\_\_ **Your Neighbor** R \_\_\_\_\_

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**Discussion/Study Guide for**  
**The Great Commandments**

We hope this guide will help you go deeper into God's Word and spur you on in obedience to what God is teaching us today. Please feel free to use all or part of it for your group discussion or personal study.

- Think back on this series of messages, **The King and His People**, or review sermon notes from the past weeks. What lessons or insights have you gained that have been helpful or encouraging to you?
- Take a few moments to read through the following verses: 1 John 3:11; John 13:34-35; Ephesians 5:1-2; Galatians 5:6; Romans 13:8; 1 Cor. 13:13. What is the key word that each of these verses is focused on? From these verses can you come up with a definition of that key word?
- Read Mark 12:28-34. What is the question that is asked of Jesus? What is the answer that Jesus gives to the questions asked? How does the scribe respond to Jesus' answer? What is Jesus' assessment of the scribe?
- What do you think is the importance of linking the *Shema* (Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one.) with the first Great Commandment?
- With what areas of our lives are we to love God? How would you define each of those areas of life?
- What does it look like practically to love God in each of these areas? How can you grow in your love for God?
- In what of these 4 areas of your life do you feel your love for God is most healthy? ...Needs most attention?
- What is the second great commandment?
- What does it mean to love yourself? How should that love be displayed to our neighbors? Why would we call that radical?
- According to Luke 10:29-37, who is my neighbor? Who is that God wants you to love radically this week? What will you do?