

Answer Key

I. PUT GOD FIRST

1. Love God with your **HEART**
2. Love God with your **SOUL**
3. Love God with your **MIND**
4. Love God with your **STRENGTH**

II. PEOPLE MATTER

1. How do you treat **YOURSELF**?
Apply that same care to others
2. Every person you meet is made in God's **IMAGE**
3. Three practical ways to love others:
 - Practice the **PAUSE**
 - Move toward **NEED**
 - Cross comfort **ZONE**

WHY SHOULD WE DO THIS?

God loved you **FIRST** when you didn't deserve it.

- God knew every **SIN** you would ever commit before you were born
- God doesn't love you based on your **PERFORMANCE**
- Jesus took the punishment you **DESERVED**

The Good News

Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, (Romans 5:1)

The Bad News

for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, (Romans 3:23)

The Ugly News

For the wages of sin is death, ... (Romans 6:23a)

The Great News

... but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.
(Romans 6:23a)

Guess What?

You can become a Christian right now and experience salvation and the gift of eternal life through God's Son the Lord Jesus Christ! Simply Pray this Prayer Right Now! **"God thank you for Jesus Christ who died on the cross for my sins. Thank you for receiving what Jesus did for me on the cross as payment for my sins. Please forgive me for my sins. Right now I accept Jesus into my heart and ask that he become my Savior and Lord! Amen!"**

If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved. (Romans 10:9–10)

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Sermon Notes



what
God
wants
From you!

Mark 12:18-31

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Mark 12:28–31 (ESV)

²⁸And one of the scribes came up and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that he answered them well, asked him, “Which commandment is the most important of all?”

²⁹Jesus answered, “The most important is, ‘Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one.

³⁰And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.’

³¹The second is this: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ There is no other commandment greater than these.”

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(Answer key located on back page)

I. PUT GOD _____ - LOVE GOD WITH YOUR WHOLE SELF

1. Love God with your _____ : Give Him your deepest affections and desires
2. Love God with your _____ : Let your relationship with Him define your identity
3. Love God with your _____ : Study His Word and see life from His perspective
4. Love God with your _____ : Show your love through actions and resources

II. PEOPLE _____ - LOVE OTHERS LIKE YOU LOVE YOURSELF.

1. How do you treat _____? Apply that same care to others.
2. Every person you meet is made in God's _____.
3. Three practical ways to love others:
 - Practice the _____
 - Move toward _____
 - Cross comfort _____

WHY SHOULD WE DO THIS?

God loved you _____ when you didn't deserve it.

- God knew every _____ you would ever commit before you were born.
- God doesn't love you based on your _____
- Jesus took the punishment you _____

PERSONAL REFLECTION:

Which area of loving God (heart, soul, mind, strength) do I need to grow in most?

COMMITMENT:

This week, I will show love to God and others by:

NEXT STEPS:

- ☐ I will start each day this week by telling God I love Him before checking my phone.
- ☐ I will practice "the pause" before responding in difficult situations.
- ☐ I will intentionally meet one person's need this week.
- ☐ I will invite someone to join me at church next Sunday.

KEY VERSE TO REMEMBER:

"And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength... You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

- Mark 12:30-31

