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"The Most Important Thing"

Matthew 22:34-46

Today's BIG IDEA:

The most important thing in life is to love the Lord and love others.

1. Love the <u>LORD</u> (v.37-38,41-46)

(Deuteronomy 6:4-5)

- A. How? We should love the Lord (v.37)
 - There is a major difference between declaring a love for God and displaying a love for God.
- B. Why? We should love the Lord as

_____ (v.38)

(Joshua 22:5; Psalm 31:23)

- Jesus was clearly making the point that he wasn't just the son of David, but he was also the Son of God, and therefore, Lord.
- 2. Love <u>OTHERS</u> (v.39-40) (Leviticus 19:18)
 - A. How? We should love others

_____ (v.39)

(Matthew 7:12)

• Loving others means doing what is best for them, even if it isn't easy for us.

(v.40)

B. Why? We should love others

(Micah 6:8; 1 John 4:7-8)

• It is impossible to love God without loving others.

C, Who? We should love others (Luke 10:29)

• There are no exclusions to loving our neighbor.

C, Who? We should love the Lord as

____ (v.41-46)

(Psalm 110:1)

(Application questions on back)

APPLICATION QUESTIONS:

- 1. When people look at your life, what do they see that you love? Do they see an obvious love for the Lord? If not, why not?
- 2. What would it look like for you to love others "as yourself"? In what ways do you tend to love yourself more than others?
- 3. Whom do you have a hard time loving? Why? How does Christ call you to love them?