

OUR TWO GREATEST PRIORITIES

Matthew 22:34-40

"Sanctify them
by the Truth.
Your Word is
Truth"
John 17:17

I. Introduction

II. Consider with me Jesus Christ's call to love the Lord our God.

A. The first thing we see is the call to love the Lord our God is a very personal command.

1. This story is set within two other similar encounters where the religious leaders of Israel questioned Jesus Christ. 34-35

2. Notice: Jesus stated the primary commandment without hesitation. 37

B. The second thing we see is the call to love the Lord our God is a very exacting command.

C. The third thing we see is the call to love the Lord our God is a pointed command.

1. Who is this one that Jesus commands us to worship?

2. To love the Lord your God means that there are other things that you cannot love simultaneously.

D. The fourth thing we see is the call to love the Lord our God is an all-encompassing command.

E. The fifth thing we see is the call to love the Lord our God is the primary command. 38

1. Love for God takes precedence in life.

2. There is a marked difference between loving God and not loving God.

F. The sixth thing we see is the call to love the Lord our God is a united command. 39

G. The seventh thing we see is the call to love God is an essential command. 40

III. Conclusion