

WHO DO YOU LOVE?
JESUS REVEALS THE GREATEST COMMANDMENT
(A Reminder for the New Year)
Matthew 22:34-38

I. JESUS IS ASKED A QUESTION ABOUT WHICH IS THE GREATEST COMMANDMENT IN THE LAW (34-36)

A. **The Occasion** for His answer: A question from an inquisitive testing scribe (34-35, Mar. 12)

B. **The Question:** *'Which is the great commandment in the Law?'* (36)

II. JESUS' ANSWER REVEALS THE NATURE OF A TRUE RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD:
***"You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind."* (37-38)**

A. Jesus reveals the greatest commandment **is personal:** *"You shall..."* (37a)

B. Jesus reveals the greatest commandment **is specific and relational:** *"You shall Love the Lord your God..."* (37a)

C. Jesus reveals the greatest commandment **is all encompassing:** *"You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind."* (37b)

D. Jesus reveals the greatest commandment **is primary:** *"This is the great and foremost commandment."* (38)