

Just a Reminder: Part 1

Mark 12:28-34

Introduction

- Ever lose focus – catch mind wandering?
- Distracted in our walk of faith
- Just a reminder of the things we should be about in our walk with Jesus
- 600+ Old Testament commandments into a single one
- Is it too simple, too easy, or too complex?

So What's the Meaning?

- Take in information – consider and dismiss
- Juan Carlos Ortiz: “Love one another”
- Our primary identity is with Jesus Christ
- God wants us to love Him totally and love others as we love ourselves
- Basic tenet of our faith
- We are ambassadors for Jesus Christ

Loving God

- **“Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength” (Deuteronomy 6:4-5).**
- **Jesus adds: “with all your mind”**
- **What is the secret to loving God?**

Loving Others

- **What does it mean to love others as we love ourselves?**
- **Secret to loving other is letting God love you**
- **If we want God to love us, show grace, mercy, & forgiveness – can He expect the same from us?**
- **John: “If we can’t love our brothers & sisters who we have seen, how can we love God whom we have not seen?”**
- **Everything in life hinges on this: love God totally and your neighbor as you have been loved**

Implications for Us



- Consider today's message
- God loves you totally – what does it mean to love Him back?
- What does it mean to love others as God loves us?
- The core of the Gospel message
- Just do it
- Jesus commanded it
- God expects it
- The Holy Spirit will enable us