

“The Jesus You Need To Know”

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So Far

- Who He Is
- Why He Came
- What He Expects

What Are His Priorities?

- Mark 12:28-34

Mark 12:28 - What Would You Take?

Mark 12:29-30 - So Far, So Good

- “The Lord our God is One.”
- Be “_____”.

Mark 12:31 - Expanding the Creed

- Loving God and loving your neighbor are _____.
- Love your neighbor as yourself - not _____ of yourself.

1st Corinthians 13:1-3

- If I don't live a life of love, nothing I _____ will matter.
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What is Love?

- _____ is patient and kind.
- _____ is not jealous or boastful or proud or rude.
- _____ does not demand its own way.
- _____ is not irritable, and it keeps no record of being wronged.
- _____ does not rejoice about injustice but rejoices whenever the truth wins out.
- _____ never gives up, never loses faith, is always hopeful, and endures through every circumstance.

Mark 12:32-33 - The Teacher Gets It!

What a Difference!

- _____
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- _____ (Romans 2:17-24)

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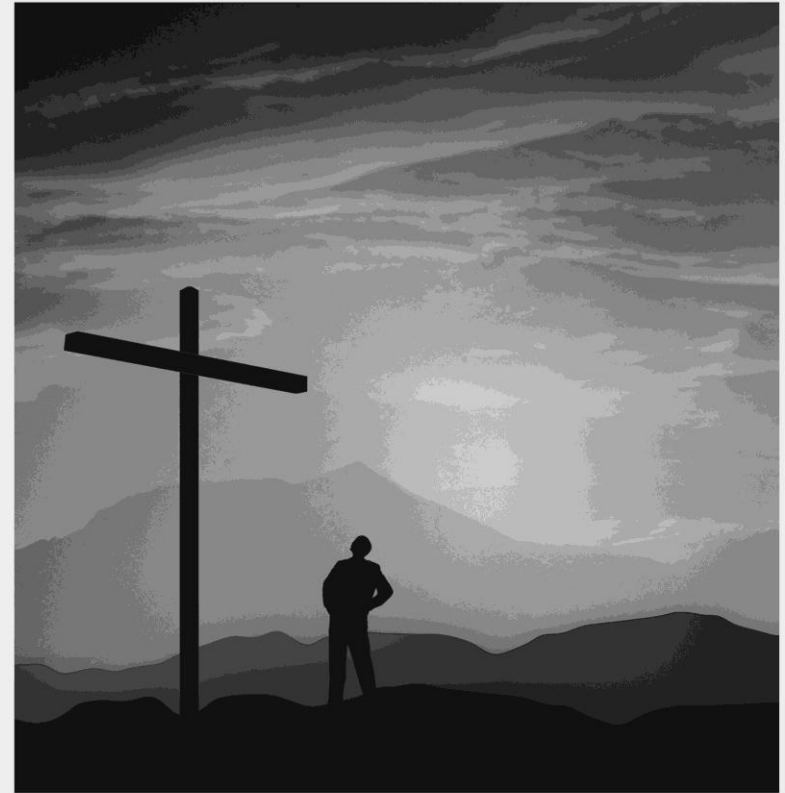
I'm In!

- Pray that God will show you someone who needs Jesus.
- Pray for that person and pray that God will show you how to lovingly “connect”.
- Follow up on what God shows you to do.
- Trust Him.

Talk it over...with your friends, family, or Growth Group.

Talking through the ideas presented in Sunday's message helps us apply God's word to our individual lives. These questions are designed to help you put His words into action in your life this week.

- Reread Mark 12:29-34. What are some ideas that come to your mind that might be different than those Joe talked about?
- How would you define "loving God"? Describe someone that you believe truly loves God. What do they do to make you believe that?
- Do you think Paul is being a bit dramatic when he indicates that without love, nothing we know, do, or say really matters?
- How do you describe love?
- Which of the qualities on Paul's list of descriptors (1st Corinthians 13:4-6) is the most difficult for you? What makes it difficult?
- How do you put this list of descriptors together with the reality that we simply might not like everybody, but we are still called to love them?
- For those who signed up for "I'm In", remember to be praying for guidance as to who God wants you to reach out to.
- What is your main "take-away" from this week? How do you plan to "live out" what you have heard this morning?



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