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Matthew 22:34-40

³⁴ But when the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together. ³⁵ And one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. ³⁶ "Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?" ³⁷ And he said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. ³⁸ This is the great and first commandment. ³⁹ And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. ⁴⁰ On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets."

Attributes of God

God is holy and glorious: Isaiah 6:3

God is all-powerful: Jeremiah 32:17

God is **righteous**: Psalm 145:17

God is **just:** Deuteronomy 32:4

God is **good and faithful:** Psalm 100:5

God is merciful: Luke 6:36

God is **patient:** 2 Peter 3:9

God is love: 1 John 4:8

God is compassionate: Matthew 14:14

God is joyful: John 15:11

God is **forgiving**: Luke 23:34

God is **humble**: Philippians 2:8

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Discussion Questions

- 1. Why is it important to know and understand your purpose?
- 2. Where are you tempted to find your purpose? (Ex: job, role, achievements, etc.)
- 3. Which attributes of God give you the most comfort? Which attributes do you tend to doubt or are the hardest for you to believe?
- 4. What are some specific ways that believers can love and enjoy God? Does your love of God compel you to action? Explain.
- 5. Think of someone in your life who is difficult to love. How can you better love them this week?
- 6. Who is someone in your life that has loved you well? What did they do for you and why did it make such an impact?
- 7. We were made to bring God glory. We can do this by knowing Him, loving Him, and loving others. How can you live out this purpose this week?