

Matthew 22.34-40

Matt. 22:34 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 commandment in the law is the greatest?” ³⁷ 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 greatest and first commandment. ³⁹ And a second is like it: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ ⁴⁰ On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.”

Questions for consideration:

1. What image in this passage speaks to you most right now?
2. What does it mean to love your neighbor in our current context? Has it changed?
3. How do you think the lawyer felt about Jesus’ answer?
4. What is this passage saying to you right now?
5. What do you think this passage is saying to Good Shepherd?