

# **Re-Engage In Loving God**

## **John 3:16 and Mark 12:29-13**

# **How Does God Love Us?**

Passionately!

## **John 3:16**

*For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.*

# How Does God Love Us?

He Rescues Us

## **Ephesians 2:8-9**

*For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast.*



# How Does God Love Us?

He PROMISES Us

*(we will) not perish but have everlasting life*

## John 3:16

*This is how much God loved the world: He gave his Son, his one and only Son. And this is why: **so that no one need be destroyed**; by believing in him, anyone can have a whole and lasting life.*

# **Our God Gave Us CHOICE Because He Loves Us**

*...that whoever believes in Him...*

To "believe" and "receive" means Jesus is the one who is in charge of our past, present and future.

We are trusting that all of God's words are 100% reliable.  
We can rely on Him for the power to change us.

# How Do We Love God?

## Mark 12:29-31

*Jesus replied, the most important commandment is this: Listen, O Israel! The LORD our God is the one and only LORD. And you must LOVE the LORD **your God with all your heart, all your soul, all your mind, and all your strength.** The second is equally important: Love your neighbor as yourself. No other commandment is greater than these.*

## How Do We Love God?

**Passionately:** with all your heart that is the center of our desires and affections

**Willfully:** with all your soul that is the person's being and uniqueness

**Intellectually:** with all your mind that is the center of a person's intelligence and knowledge

**Practically:** with all your strength or our physical capabilities

## **How Do We Love God?**

**James 1:21** *Get rid of all moral filth and humbly accept the Word*

**James 3:11-12** *Does a spring send forth fresh water and bitter from the same opening? Can a fig tree, my brethren, bear olives, or a grapevine bear figs? Thus no spring yields both salt water and fresh.*



# How Do We Love God?

## The Shema

### **THE LORD OUR GOD THE LORD IS ONE!**

There is one God – His name is Jehovah

Jehovah is to be our one and only God

Our relationship with Him is our number one priority

We are accountable for our obedience to His Word

We will be held accountable and face His judgment in the afterlife  
giving an account for the life we have lived.

שְׁמַע יִשְׂרָאֵל: יְהוָה אֱלֹהֵינוּ, יְהוָה אֶחָד!

Sh'ma Yis-ra-eil: Adonai Eh-lo-hei-nu, Adonai Eh-chad!

*Hear, O Israel: the Eternal One is our God,  
the Eternal God alone!*

בָּרוּךְ שֵׁם כְּבוֹד מַלְכוּתוֹ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד!

Ba-ruch shem k'vod mal-chu-to l'o-lam va-ed!

*Blessed is God's glorious majesty for ever and ever!*

## **Coming Next Week..**

What are the two key practical foundations to love ? How do we love God in front of people and how do we love people in front of God? What is the evidence of love?