



CITIZENS CHURCH

Think Like Jesus Part 1 | Sunday, August 24, 2025

Read God's Word Aloud

Mark 12:30 And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.

Mark 12:24-27 ²⁴ Jesus said to them, "Is this not the reason you are wrong, because you know neither the Scriptures nor the power of God? ²⁵ For when they rise from the dead, they neither marry nor are given in marriage, but are like angels in heaven. ²⁶ And as for the dead being raised, **have you not read** in the book of Moses, in the passage about the bush, how God spoke to him, saying, 'I am the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob'? ²⁷ He is not God of the dead, but of the living. You are quite wrong."

2 Timothy 2:7 Think over what I say, for the Lord will give you understanding in everything.

Discuss God's Word and God's World

Important: The goal is never to "get through" every question like a checklist. It's ok to linger on a few questions if they spark sanctifying discussion or opportunities for intercessory prayer.

- Have you ever met anyone like this who thinks their passion for God makes up for their ignorance about God? What are some of the dangers of trying to love God without fully engaging our minds? (Burning Heart and Empty Head)
- What is the danger of trying to learn or think about God without grounding everything on Scripture?

Jamin has said often that we don't want to be a church that is eager to learn but not eager to be changed.

- Have you ever met anyone like this who thinks their knowledge makes up for their lack of change? What are some of the dangers of thinking that knowing things about God is the same as loving God? (Full Head and Cold Heart)
- What are some areas you struggle with in trying to use your mind to love God?
 - (ex: being disciplined enough to read the Bible regularly, sticky theological questions, feeling "not smart enough" to discuss theology, feeling like theology is not that important)



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- For those of you who resonate with what was shared, what are some things that helped you?
- How did Jesus model using His mind to love God the Father?

LEADERS PLEASE DON'T SKIP THIS QUESTION:

- What are ways your Home Group members can encourage or cooperate with each other to use your minds to fuel your love for God this semester?
 - Some sample ideas:
 - Sign up for Bible Class or Mission of God together
 - Read through a book of the bible together this semester in a group text
 - Read a book about theology, ministry, or missions together

Sanctificational Prayer Guidance

Pray for a grace to love God with all of our hearts and to believe that God loves us with all of his heart.

Thank God that because of His love we can better love those around us.

Take some time asking God to increase your love for Him and others.

Family Memory Verse of the Month for August

For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

Romans 3:23 (ESV)