

The Gospel of Mark: Responding to Jesus
The Greatest of These

Mark 12:28-37

Sunday, August 17, 2025

Jesus in the midst of confrontations...

Are you encountering Christ? And if so, are you being changed?

I. Jesus welcomes our _____, even if our _____ aren't always pure (Mark 12:28).

“test him” – Gk. peirazo – put to the proof, whether with good or mischievous intent.

Bearing burdens or adding burdens?

Do you assume the worst when a person holds a different view?

Opportunity knocks...

II. Jesus _____ love, for that is the _____ of God (Mark 12:29-31).

Deuteronomy 6:4-5, the Shema, from the Hebrew word “hear.”
Foundational truths:

An impossibility, yet our highest priority...

What this command of God says...about Him:

1. _____
2. _____

"By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another" (John 13:35).

You can't love others and keep your distance.

"So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith" (Galatians 6:10).

III. Jesus is _____ found to be _____ (Mark 12:32-34).

The scribe's understanding of Scripture was impressive.

Psalm 40:6-8 (pointing forward to Jesus)

Hebrews 10:5-16 (pointing backward to Jesus)

"...not far from the kingdom of God."

"So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love (1 Corinthians 13:13).

1. If this is your first worship experience at HHBC, let us know and tell us how we can pray for you or answer any questions. Send us a message on Facebook or e-mail at info@hhbc.org.
2. ***How much do you know about the Gospel?*** Do you have questions about Christianity or your own spiritual condition? If so, please e-mail or call Pastor Gene this week (cell: 864.616.5899 or gene@hhbc.org).
3. Join us Wednesday @ 6:30 PM (Refuel, Student & Children's Ministry)
4. Join us Thursday for ***Rush Hour Prayer*** at 7:00 AM, weather-permitting (no rain and 40 degrees or above).