

PUT IT INTO PRACTICE. ✓

Ice Breaker: How well do you know your next-door neighbor(s)?

Read: Mark 12:28-34; John 15:5, 15:9-10, 1 John 4:20

Discussion Questions:

- Big Idea
 - The main thing God wants from our lives is a heart that loves Him fully and loves people genuinely.
- You Can Know a Lot About God and Still Miss what God Wants (Mark 12:28)
 - How is it possible to know about God and ultimately miss what He wants?
 - What can you learn from the teacher of the law in v.28?
 - What's the difference between knowing of God vs. being transformed by Him?
- Loving God Requires More Than Words (Mark 12:29-30)
 - What does it look like practically to love God with all your:
 - heart?
 - soul?
 - mind?
 - strength?
 - What parts of ourselves (heart, soul, mind, strength) do we struggle to offer fully to God?
 - How does John 15:5 and 15:9-10 relate to loving God with the totality of your being?
 - Why is it important to remember that God loved us first?
- Loving People is the Evidence that You Love God (Mark 12:31)
 - According to 1 John, why is claiming to love God while not loving others impossible?
 - Biblically, who is our neighbor? Are “enemies” included in this?
 - How does knowing God deeply loves you shape your ability to love others...even when it is difficult to do so?
 - How are you currently loving your neighbors?
- Closing Thoughts
 - Is it possible to be close to God's Kingdom yet still not in it? How so?
 - Is there an area of your life where God is asking for complete surrender? Feel free to share.
 - Is there someone God is asking you to love “differently” in this season of life?
 - What is one specific way you can help cultivate a “Beloved Neighborhood” that points people to Jesus this week?

Share prayer requests and close in prayer.

