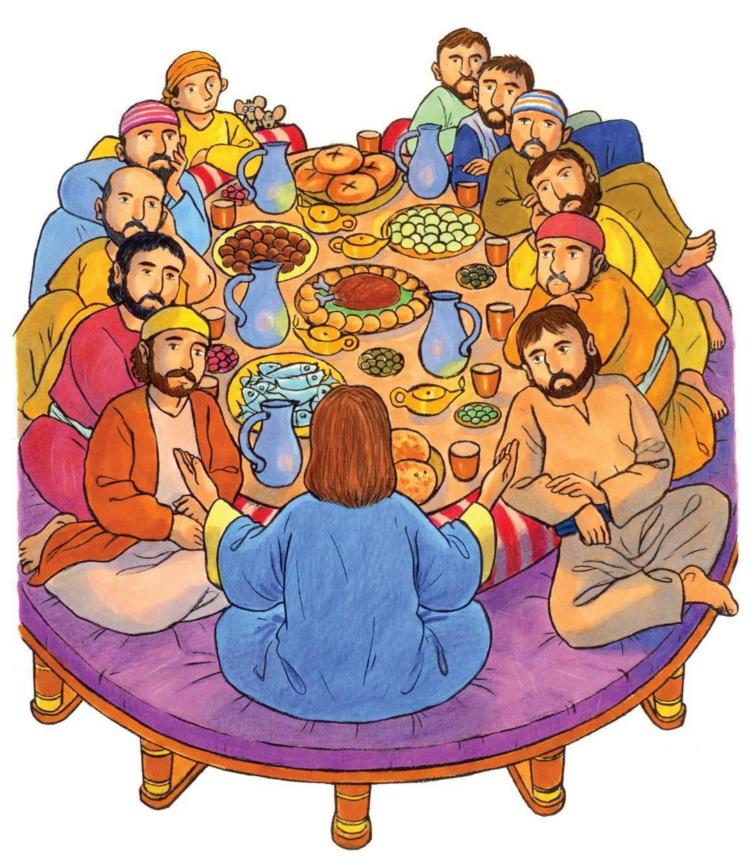
JESUS'COMMANDMENT OF LOVE

Mark 12:28-34



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Jesus' Commandment of Love



Jesus replied, "The first commandment is, You shall love the Lord, your God with all your heart, with all your soul and with all your mind, and with all your strength.

The second commandment is: You shall love your neighbour as yourself. There are no other commandments greater than these."

The scribe replied, "Teacher, what you say is true. There is only one God. And to love Him with all our being and to love our neighbour is better than bringing offerings and sacrifices."

After Jesus heard this, He knew the scribe answered wisely and said, "You are not far from the kingdom of God."

A large group of people were amazed as they listened to Jesus' teaching. A scribe asked Jesus, "Which commandment is the greatest in the law?"

Suggestions for the Teacher

Lead-In

Show the picture to the children. Discuss with them what they see. Ask what she/he may feel.... Sing with the children an appropriate song of Jesus' love.

Lesson Instructions

Begin telling the story...

Discuss with the children...

What does Jesus address as the greatest commandment?
 ("Love God with all your soul and mind and love your neighbour as yourself.")

Have the children repeat...

- We should love God above everything and our neighbour as our-selves.
- God loves us. We love Him too.

Real-Life Application (explain the following)

- How can we as children show love in our congregation?
 - Comforting and helping others.
 - Helping the older members with their tasks.
 - Visiting the sick.
 - Being active in church: cleaning, gardening and other activities.
 - Being obedient unto God and our parents.
 - Showing concern towards our friends.

Repeat the Message
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we also show that we love God.