



International Bible Study Commentary

Verse-by-Verse Bible Lessons Thru the Bible

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Mark 12:28-37 Scripture Handout New International Version

Assign each person in the class one or more verses to study.
Each person should answer these two questions on their assigned verse.

1. What does this verse say?
 2. What does this verse mean to me?
- Discuss your answers with the class.

(Mark 12:28) One of the teachers of the law came and heard them debating. Noticing that Jesus had given them a good answer, he asked him, “Of all the commandments, which is the most important?”

(Mark 12:29) “The most important one,” answered Jesus, “is this: ‘Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one.

(Mark 12:30) 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 12:31) The second is this: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ There is no commandment greater than these.”

(Mark 12:32) “Well said, teacher,” the man replied. “You are right in saying that God is one and there is no other but him.

(Mark 12:33) To love him with all your heart, with all your understanding and with all your strength, and to love your neighbor as yourself is more important than all burnt offerings and sacrifices.”

(Mark 12:34) When Jesus saw that he had answered wisely, he said to him, “You are not far from the kingdom of God.” And from then on no one dared ask him any more questions.

(Mark 12:35) While Jesus was teaching in the temple courts, he asked, “Why do the teachers of the law say that the Messiah is the son of David?

(Mark 12:36) David himself, speaking by the Holy Spirit, declared: “The Lord said to my Lord: “Sit at my right hand until I put your enemies under your feet.””

(Mark 12:37) David himself calls him ‘Lord.’ How then can he be his son?” The large crowd listened to him with delight.

Write out the verse or verses you have been assigned below:

Answer These Questions for Class Discussion or Personal Study

1. What does the verse say?
2. What does the verse mean to me?