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Luke 10:25-37

“What do I have to do?”

**The Power of People
grouped together
to give hope
to people with little hope.**



Luke 10:25-37 (CEB)

²⁵ A legal expert stood up to test Jesus.

“Teacher,” he said,

“what must I do to gain eternal life?”

²⁶ Jesus replied,

“What is written in the Law?

How do you interpret it?”



Jesus “Way, Truth, & Life” is contradicting what had become of religion, faith, and the church.

Jesus is undoing what has been believed for centuries.

Jesus was genuinely confusing, angering, perplexing, & causing doubt amongst the faithful followers of the current Faith, Ways, & Church.

Thus the Question: *How do I please God, get to heaven, avoid hell, etc.*

²⁷ He responded, “*You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your being, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and love your neighbor as yourself.*”

No Rule, No List, No Prayer.

Why is this troubling?

Its **Way** is a State of being noticeably kind.

Its **Truth** is treating others with the Grace God gives us.

Its **Life** is only found in transformation & growth.



be compassionate
be humble AND
BE LOVE

1 peter 3:8-9



**Really!
That's it?**

²⁸ Jesus said to him,
“You have answered correctly.
Do this and you will live.”
²⁹ But the legal expert wanted to prove
that he was right, so he said to Jesus,
“And who is my neighbor?”

For so long, we have thought that
we “invite Jesus” in to our lives.
***Perhaps it's better said that Jesus
is inviting us into Jesus' life.***

“Love grounds us by creating focus,
direction, motivation, even joy
—and if we don’t find these things in love,
we usually will try to find them in hate.”

— Richard Rohr, [The Universal Christ](#)



The Church/Body of Christ is the institution!
When Grouped we are powerful!

Open Hearts makes us focus on the “left outs” in our community.

Closed Hearts makes us focus on their faults.

Open Minds makes us focus on creative ways to engage with our community.

Closed Minds makes us focus on protect ourselves from change.

Open Doors makes us indispensable to the community.

Closed Doors makes us irrelevant in the community.



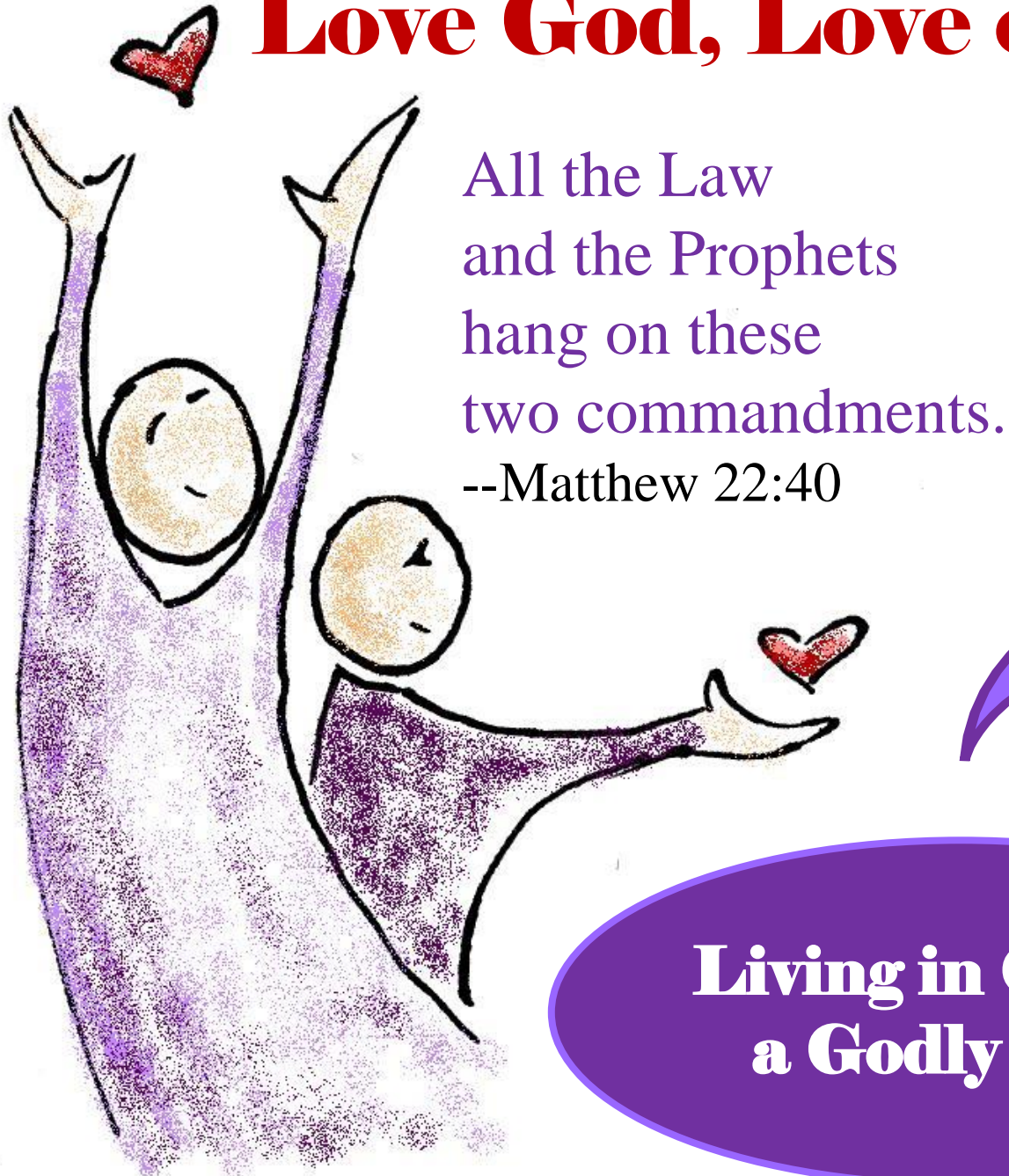
We often confuse
what parts of the Bible are optional for us.
We rarely confuse
what parts of the Bible are optional for others.

Jesus, the way you are living,
what you are saying,
and who your prioritizing....

I don't get it,
I don't like it,
and I don't want to do it.

The Group/Church
counters one another's
faults with
inward and outward
hope giving kindness.

Love God, Love others!



All the Law
and the Prophets
hang on these
two commandments.
--Matthew 22:40

**Living in Christ,
a Godly Life.**

Own our faults,
they know them anyway.

Be humble in our successes,
they aren't impressed.

Avoid talks of the past,
they don't care.

Change quickly,
they are tired of being stuck.

Give Generously,
they are excited by Open Doors.

Don't be a complainer,
They need a surprise.

Be Present,
as often as you can.

The Greatest Commandment.
Command.
Rule.
Way of Life.
Word's of God.
Do this before all else.
No other verse supersedes.
Never optional.

**Long before we discuss
the “don’t do’s”
we should live
the “do do’s”.**

We look at the world
and want them to act,
vote, attend,
or think differently.

It appears that our goal
is to get “them” to act like us
....Maybe “they do”.

Our first goal is to act like Jesus!



¹⁴ All the Law
has been fulfilled in a single statement:
Love your neighbor as yourself.
– Paul, Galatians 5:14



**We group ourselves to gain strength
in our personal weaknesses.**

**A variety of Gifts
makes a church strong.**

**A variety of Culture
makes us understand.**

**A variety of Sin
makes us humble.**

**A variety of Honesty
makes us wise.**

**A Variety of People
makes us effective.**

Psalms 5:7-8 (CEB)

I will enter your house
because of your abundant,
faithful love;
I will bow down
at your holy temple,
honoring you.

⁸ LORD, because of many enemies,
please lead me
in your righteousness.
Make your way clear,
right in front of me.



People will come as they:

Feel God's abundant love in us.

Sense our honor for God in our lives.

Bow in reverence in church
we bow humbly.

See in us that life enemies can't rob us
of Joy or Love.

Watch us own our faults and see that
our reverence births
in our need for Grace.