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Matthew 22:34-46 (NIV)

The Greatest Commandment

³⁴ Hearing that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, the Pharisees got together.

³⁵ One of them, an expert in the law, tested him with this question:

³⁶ "Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?"

³⁷ Jesus replied: "'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.'

³⁸ This is the first and greatest commandment.

³⁹ And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'

⁴⁰ All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments."

Whose Son Is the Messiah?

⁴¹ While the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them,

⁴² "What do you think about the Messiah? Whose son is he?"

"The son of David," they replied.

⁴³ He said to them, "How is it then that David, speaking by the Spirit, calls him 'Lord'? For he says,

⁴⁴ "The Lord said to my Lord:
"Sit at my right hand
until I put your enemies
under your feet."

⁴⁵ If then David calls him 'Lord,' how can he be his son?"

⁴⁶ No one could say a word in reply, and from that day on no one dared to ask him any more questions.

Other Lectionary Reading for this week:

Deuteronomy 34:1-12



**Never miss
an opportunity to
put a smile on
someone's face.
It might be the only
one they get today.**

Psalms 90:1-6, 13-17 (NIV)

A prayer of Moses the man of God.

¹ Lord, you have been our dwelling place throughout all generations.

² Before the mountains were born or you brought forth the whole world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

³ You turn people back to dust, saying, "Return to dust, you mortals."

⁴ A thousand years in your sight are like a day that has just gone by, or like a watch in the night.

⁵ Yet you sweep people away in the sleep of death—

they are like the new grass of the morning:

⁶ In the morning it springs up new, but by evening it is dry and withered.

¹³ Relent, LORD! How long will it be? Have compassion on your servants.

¹⁴ Satisfy us in the morning with your unfailing love, that we may sing for joy and be glad all our days.

¹⁵ Make us glad for as many days as you have afflicted us, for as many years as we have seen trouble.

¹⁶ May your deeds be shown to your servants, your splendour to their children.

¹⁷ May the favour of the Lord our God rest on us; establish the work of our hands for us— yes, establish the work of our hands.



"Lost time is never found again" ~ Benjamin Franklin

Jesus loves me, this I know,
for the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to him belong;
they are weak, but he is strong.

Refrain:

*Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.*

~ Anna Bartlett Warner (1859)

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Our goal: "To be transformed communities, experiencing, enjoying & sharing the gift of the friendship of Jesus."

Mission: "Called to be Free, Gifted to Serve."

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IN OUR PRAYERS

- We pray for everyone in the northern hemisphere as Covid19 numbers surge as the weather cools there.
- We pray for the future of relationships, and trade, between Australia and China.
- As Americans begin to cast their votes, we pray for peace and understanding to hold sway.
- We continue to pray for healing for Margaret Davidson and John Murray, who have both had recent hospital stays.

Meg's Musings

I heard an unusual noise at home today, and looked out to see what was causing it.
 A neighbour was mowing his lawn - with a push mower.
 It has been many years since I heard a push mower being used - I didn't realise that they are still available.
 My Dad used to "sharpen and set" saws and push mowers as a source of income - it was a business which declined in my childhood.
 Many things come and go in life, but one thing remains constant.
 God is the God of yesterday, today and tomorrow;
 the God of all eternity.

Blessings from Meg



The only constant in this world is God. ~ JH Perry

Everything Is Beautiful ~ Ray Stevens

Jesus loves the little children, all the little children of the world
 Red and yellow, black and white, they are precious in his sight
 Jesus loves the little children of the world

Everything is beautiful in its' own way
 Like a starry summer night or a snow covered winter's day
 Everybody's beautiful in their own way
 Under God's heaven, the world's gonna find a way

There is none so blind as he who will not see
 We must not close our minds, we must let our thought be free
 For every hour that passes by, you know the world gets a little bit older
 It's time to realize that beauty lies in the eyes of the beholder

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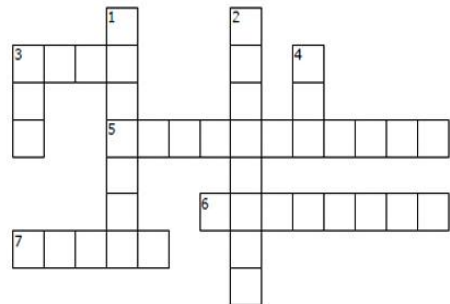
1 Thessalonians 2:1-8 (NIV)

Paul's Ministry in Thessalonica

2 You know, brothers and sisters, that our visit to you was not without results.
2 We had previously suffered and been treated outrageously in Philippi, as you know, but with the help of our God we dared to tell you his gospel in the face of strong opposition.
3 For the appeal we make does not spring from error or impure motives, nor are we trying to trick you.
4 On the contrary, we speak as those approved by God to be entrusted with the gospel. We are not trying to please people but God, who tests our hearts.
5 You know we never used flattery, nor did we put on a mask to cover up greed—God is our witness.
6 We were not looking for praise from people, not from you or anyone else, even though as apostles of Christ we could have asserted our authority.
7 Instead, we were like young children among you. Just as a nursing mother cares for her children,
8 so we cared for you. Because we loved you so much, we were delighted to share with you not only the gospel of God but our lives as well.

The Greatest Commandment

Jesus replied: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind."
 Matthew 22:37



ACROSS

3. To have a deep feeling of affection or attraction for someone
5. A rule or law; direction or instruction to do something
6. A person who lives near or next to another
7. The center and source of a person's emotions or feelings

DOWN

1. Someone who educates or trains others
2. The most important; better than all others of the same kind
3. A system of rules or principles
4. The creator of heaven and earth; The One we worship

War does not determine who is right, only who is left. ~ anon

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