

GOOD AND GRACIOUS KING

GENUINE LOVE - HUMBLE LIFESTYLE - SACRIFICIAL GIVING

MARK 12:28-44



Mark 12:28-34





The most important is, 'Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.' The second is this: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these.

MARK 12:29-31





Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God.

- 1 John 4:7 -

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Mark 12:35-40

How can the Messiah be both David's son and his Lord if he is merely human? Jesus was using the Scriptures, in which they were supposedly such experts, to explode their limited idea of Messiah.

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TENDENCIES TOWARD PRIDE

- 1. Wanting to make sure our name is attached to something successful.
- 2. Announcing our great accomplishments through social media and other platforms.
- 3. Seeking out actions that will get us noticed publicly.

And the disciples were amazed at his words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how difficult it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the kingdom of God.

MARK 10:24.25

- Almost half of humanity is living on \$5.50 per day.
- Recent estimates are that 9.2% of the world, or 689 million people, live in extreme poverty on \$1.90 or less a day.
- In the United States, 11.8% of the population or 38.1 million people, live in poverty—with an income of less than \$33.26 per day—according to the 2018 census.

"So, make it your aim and lifelong habit, when you see someone who's serving, to be reminded of the sacrifice of the Savior, for apart from His sacrifice there is no serving."

C.J. MAHANEY

- 1. Buy a gift card to a restaurant. Give it to a health care worker (don't broadcast it).
- 2. Find out favorite things from your child's teacher. Surprise him/her (don't share it).
- 3. Find someone who has recently lost a spouse. Send them encouragement (don't post).
- 4. Find out the needs from a local, faith based non-profit. Go shopping with your family and deliver the items together (without making it public).
- 5. Gather your family. Make some encouraging cards for our Global Outreach Partners and send them off (without telling a soul).

SACRIFICIAL GIVING



Mark 12:35-40

POOR KINGDOM GIVING MINDSET

- 1. The King is not in control.
- 2. The King has limited resources.
- 3. The King will not provide.
- 4. His kingdom isn't a top priority.

SACRIFICIAL KINGDOM GIVING MINDSET

- 1. The King is in control.
- 2. The King's resources are unlimited.
- 3. The King will provide at just the right time.
- 4. His kingdom is our top priority!

We want you to know, brothers, about the grace of God that has been given among the churches of Macedonia, for in a severe test of affliction, their abundance of joy and their extreme poverty have overflowed in a wealth of generosity on their part. For they gave according to their means, as I can testify, and beyond their means, of their own accord, begging us earnestly for the favor of taking part in the relief of the saints—and this, not as we expected, but they gave themselves first to the Lord and then by the will of God to us.

CORINTHIANS 8:1-5

LOVE OUR KING WITH ALL OUR HEART. SERVE OUR KING IN ALL HUMILITY. GIVE TO OUR KING AND HIS KINGDOM.