

notes from small group

prayer requests

SMALL GROUP

— *study guide* —



For sermon on Sunday, January 28, 2018

group discussion questions

1. What is the main point from Scripture as it was taught on Sunday
2. Are there any Study Questions from this week that you want to discuss?
3. What difference should this Scripture make in our lives today?
4. How Does God want your personal beliefs and actions to change based on this Scripture?
5. How can you plan to accomplish this change with God's grace this week? What is the first step toward bringing about this change?

And He said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind."

Matthew 22:37 *ESV*

this month's memory verse

personal study questions

Stirring Up Love Through Honor
1 Thessalonians 5:12-13; Hebrews 13:7, 17;
1 Timothy 5:17; 1 Peter 5:5

1. What responsibilities does God give spiritual leaders in the church? Why are these so important to the life of the church?
2. Why might some members become angry with spiritual leaders who faithfully discharge their duties?
3. What kinds of hardships or difficulties might spiritual leaders expect?
4. How practically might a church member encourage his/her spiritual leaders so that their ministry is filled with joy?
5. How practically might a church member discourage his/her spiritual leaders so that their ministry is filled with groanings?
6. Why is encouragement from the church so very strengthening to a spiritual leader? How might Satan use discouragement in a spiritual leader to harm the whole church?
7. Practically, what does it mean to “obey”, “honor” and “submit” to your spiritual leaders in your church? How are you doing this in your church with your spiritual leaders? Why does God command this?
8. What does the Bible teach spiritual leaders regarding HOW they should exercise their spiritual authority? What dangers should they be careful to avoid in the exercise of spiritual authority?
9. When you think of spiritual authority, do you have positive or negative feelings about this topic? Why?