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If I could just drink
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Exploring the Gospel

A Religious Education Resource for Parishes

**Today we are going to be talking about
God's Commandments.
Let's, listen and hear the story Jesus tells his followers.**

A reading from the gospel according to Mark.....adapted for children

One of the scribes came to Jesus and asked,

“Which of God's commandments is the most important?”

Jesus answered,

**“to love God with all your heart and all your mind
and all your strength, and to love others as much
as you love yourself.**

These commandments came before all the others.”

**“What you have said is true, because nothing is more important
than loving God and loving your neighbours.”**

Seeing that the scribe was wise and good,

Jesus said to him,

**My friend, what you have said will please
God and keep you close to him.”**

Let's sit quietly now and think of God's story.

Unpacking the Gospel

What did the scribe ask Jesus?

Why do you think he asked that question?

Explain that Scribes / Teachers of the Law were very religious. They studied the law and obeyed every commandment of the Jewish law. They also spent a lot of time studying the scriptures. Many of the scribes paid more attention to the rules and regulations of the law, rather than the things that were truly important, like loving God and loving our neighbour. This scribe had probably listened to Jesus preach and was curious to know what was important to Jesus.

- What answer did Jesus give?
- What will happen if we do as Jesus says?

Like the scribe in the story, our lives will be pleasing to God. Jesus once said: “Love one another as I have loved you.” He showed his love for everyone by caring, listening, talking, helping the sick, making the lonely feel welcomed, forgiving and not judging others.

- Can we be like Jesus?
- How will you show the love of Jesus to others?



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The Greatest Commandment

"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: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'" Mark 12:30-31 (NIV)

The puzzle is based on Mark 12:28-34

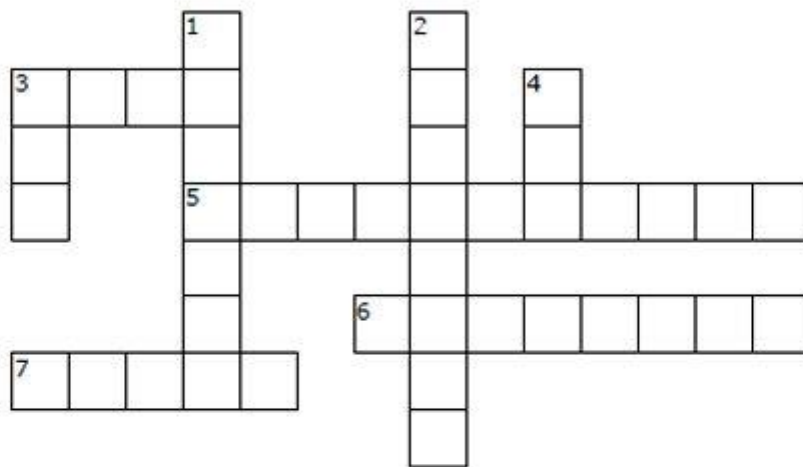


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MIND	SOUL	YOURSELF	ANSWER	QUESTIONS
NEIGHBOR	IMPORTANT	STRENGTH	TEACHER	KINGDOM
GREATEST	LOVE	LAW	SECOND	HEART

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



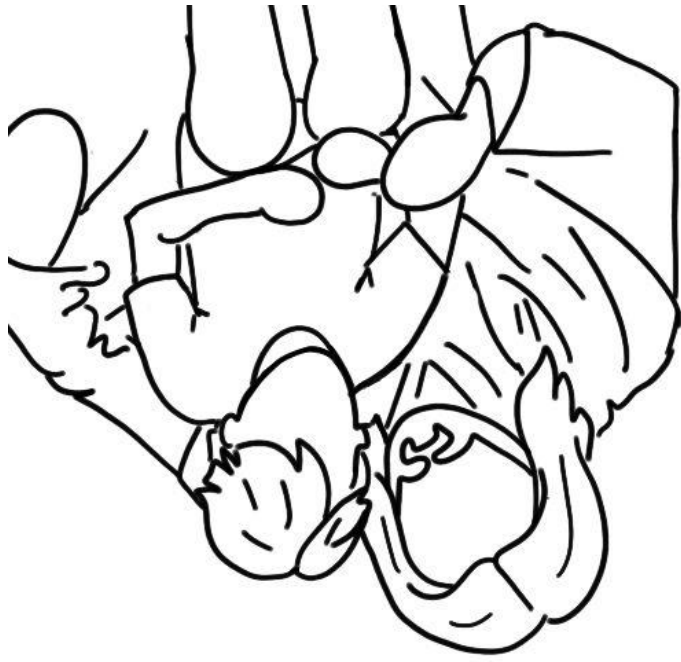
ACROSS

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

COMMANDMENT	HEART	LOVE	GREATEST
TEACHER	GOD	LAW	NEIGHBOR



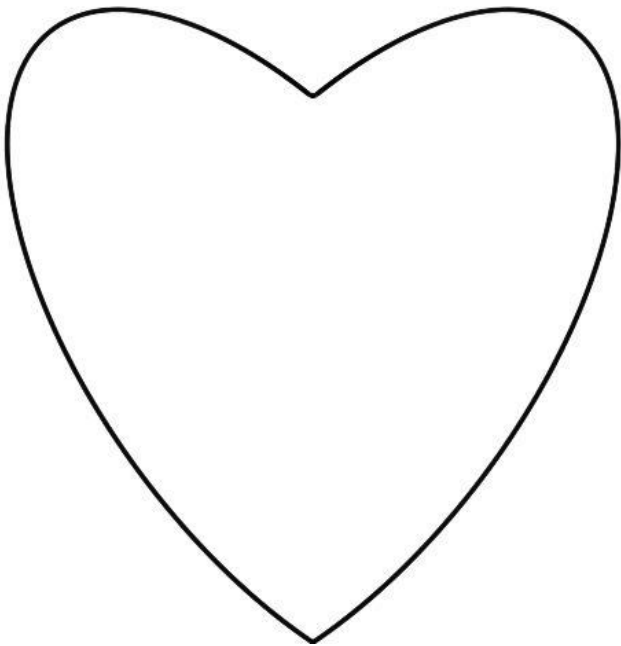
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Who can I
SHOW LOVE TO?
DRAW A PICTURE
OF SOMEONE

LIST OR DRAW

What can I do
To Show My Love?



" Love others "
as myself.

