THE MOST IMPORTANT COMMANDMENT

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Matthew 22.34-46

THE TWO GREATEST COMMANDMENTS

Matthew 22.34-46 // Isaiah 1 // Psalm 51 // John 4.24

Without a love for God and people being what fuels all of our life, any good deeds or act of religion is futile.

Love God and do as you please.

-Augustine

LOVE FOR GOD IS THE FUEL

The most important thing about our church is not what we do, but why we do it.

Both our beginning motivation, as well as our ending motivation, in other words both the fuel and the goal have to be about our love for God and our desire to His glory among the lives of the nations because of our love for the nations.

The Gospel of God's glory is to be both the fuel and the goal, the beginning and the end, of every aspect of our life mission.

HOW DO WE DO THIS?

It is not enough, and as a matter of fact it is even harmful, to just simply say, "go, love God and love people," and leaving it as just another command to be obeyed or law to be heaped upon our shoulders. We need to be given a reason and a pathway.

> Stare at the glory of God until you see it. -J.D. Greear

When we recognize our weakness and inability to love the Lord and love others with all of our heart, soul, mind, and strength, we fall humbly to our knees before God and thank Him for His mercy and grace and His desire to work change within our hearts. We recognize that to obey this commandment and fulfill God's will in our life, it is not a matter of working harder at it, but it is a matter of trusting in the work of the Holy Spirit in our own lives.

Command what You will, and grant what You command.

-Augustine



Will You Pray With Us?

Follow along with our daily prayer requests by downloading the **PrayerMate App**, available on both **iOS** and **Android** phones. Go to our website for detailed instructions on how to subscribe to the app to be praying with us daily, as well as reading through our **2 Year Bible Reading Plan.**

ARE YOU NEW HERE?

WELCOME TO LIFE MISSION CHURCH!

We'd LOVE for you to fill out the green Connection Card on your seat to let us know you were here today. You can drop it in the offering at the end of service or take it to one of our teammates in a Green Shirt at the Connection Booth outside - we'd love to give you some welcome information.

Feel free to grab some food or coffee out in the courtyard and hang out. We hope you'll **join us next Sunday** and consider making us your church family.

SERVING OPPORTUNITIES

If you've ever taken your child to one of our **Kids** on Mission classes, or enjoyed a cup of coffee after service, chances are there was a faithful servant behind each of those examples. By giving your time and talent on Sundays, you're an essential part of helping others meet Jesus, and serving is one of the most fun & rewarding ways we experience community with our church family! Fill out a connection card or visit the Connection Booth to learn about the serving opportunities available today.

COMMUNITY GROUPS

The best way to **get connected** in the church is by joining one of our **Community Groups!** You'll forge friendships, be encouraged, and take the sermon deeper into your heart every week. **Sign up for a Group** on a **Connection Card** or visit the **Connection Booth**. You won't regret it!

<u>GIVING</u>

Gospel-centered generosity is motivated by a heart of thankfulness because of the sacrificial love God has already shown us. If you call Life Mission your home, you can place your gift in the offering baskets at the end of service, give online at lifemissionchurch.com/blog/give or mail a check to our PO Box. Thank you so much!

KIDS ON MISSION

Our **Kids on Mission** ministry has classes for **newborns – 5th grade**. Please visit **lifemissionchurch.com/blog/kids** to read more about the vision and plan we have for our kids, including Pastor Jobey's heart for the ministry and his walkthrough of our curriculum.

JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Our **6th - 8th graders** worship with the adults and then head to the junior high room with their teacher and classmates for the rest of service.

Our **High School students** stay in the service because we believe that it is critical for them to not "graduate the faith" when they graduate school. For questions on our student ministries, contact **Casey Barnes** at **hbarnes5@yahoo.com**.

VISION: WHY DO WE EXIST?

We want to see God's glory known among the nations, to the least, last, and lost.

MISSION: WHAT DO WE NEED TO DO?

We need to make disciples who make disciples locally and globally, who are saved, equipped, and sent by the Gospel.

STRATEGY: HOW WILL WE DO IT?

By teaching people how to be rooted in the Gospel of God's glory through the Word of God, Prayer, and Gospel Community.

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COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

This week in your Community Groups, spend some time in **fellowship** with one another and in **prayer for the McGinty family's** upcoming trip to Breath of Heaven (they will be leaving Nov 22nd)!

Pray that the Lord would prepare them both spiritually and practically for this trip, particularly Katie, Micah and Liam, as it will be their first trip.

Thank you so much. Have a great time in your groups!



Making Disciples Who Make Disciples Locally and Globally, Who are Saved, Equipped, and Sent by the Gospel.

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