

Matthew 22:36-40

“Teacher, which is the great commandment in the law?” ³⁷ Jesus said to him, “‘You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.’ ³⁸ This is the first and great commandment. ³⁹ And the second is like it: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ ⁴⁰ On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.”

Matthew 28:18-20

And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, “All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. ¹⁹ Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, *even* to the end of the age.”

Ephesians 4:15-16

...but, speaking the truth in love, may grow up in all things into Him who is the head—Christ— ¹⁶ from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by what every joint supplies, according to the effective working by which every part does its share, causes growth of the body for the edifying of itself in love.

Galatians 6:1-5

Brethren, if a man is overtaken in any trespass, you who *are* spiritual restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness, considering yourself lest you also be tempted. ² Bear one another’s burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. ³ For if anyone thinks himself to be something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself. ⁴ But let each one examine his own work, and then he will have rejoicing in himself alone, and not in another. ⁵ For each one shall bear his own load.

1. Open your time of worship by listening to “How Firm a Foundation.” This hymn is found on our monthly hymn page on our church’s website (Look under the Sermons & Resources tab).
2. Take a moment to prayerfully praise our God for who He is and how He is full of wisdom, righteousness, and goodness. Rejoice in Christ and what He has accomplished for you. Give thanks for all the spiritual blessings that are yours in Christ through the Holy Spirit.
3. Read the Scripture passages listed above. Listen to the sermon through our website.
4. Take some time to examine your personal ministry in light of the following questions:
 - Do you love your neighbors in tangible ways?
 - If not, how might you begin this coming week?
 - Do you verbally and physically care for your fellow Christians?
 - If not, how might you begin this week?
5. Read out loud the words of “Blest Be the Dear Uniting Love” by Charles Wesley to close out your time of worship.

Blest Be the Dear Uniting Love

1. Blest be the dear uniting love that will not let us part;
our bodies may far off remove, we still are one in heart.
2. Joined in one spirit to our Head, where he appoints we go,
and still in Jesus' footsteps tread, and do his work below.
3. O may we ever walk in him, and nothing know beside,
nothing desire, nothing esteem, but Jesus crucified!
4. We all are one who him receive, and each with each agree,
in him the One, the Truth, we live; blest point of unity!
5. Partakers of the Savior's grace, the same in mind and heart,
nor joy, nor grief, nor time, nor place, nor life, nor death can part.