

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
SERMON NOTES
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Moving Forward: Our Mission Statement

Matthew 22:34–40 HCSB

³⁴ When the Pharisees heard that He had silenced the Sadducees, they came together. ³⁵ And one of them, an expert in the law, asked a question to test Him: ³⁶ “Teacher, which command in the law is the greatest?” ³⁷ He said to him, “**Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.** ³⁸ This is the greatest and most important command. ³⁹ The second is like it: **Love your neighbor as yourself.** ⁴⁰ All the Law and the Prophets depend on these two commands.”

FBC Mission Statement (“Why we are here”): “The purpose of the First Baptist Church of Clinton is to _____ and to _____ God’s love in this community and the world.”

Our church Mission Statement is our family’s expression of both the Great Commandment and the Great Commission. It grows out of our firm conviction that Biblical Christianity is:

not a religion but a _____

1. _____ God

So how do you Love God completely?

1 John 4:20–5:3 HCSB

²⁰ If anyone says, “I love God,” yet hates his brother, he is a liar. For the person who does not love his brother he has seen cannot love the God he has not seen. ²¹ And we have this command from Him: The one

who loves God must also love his brother. ¹ Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Messiah has been born of God, and everyone who loves the Father also loves the one born of Him. ² This is how we know that we love God’s children when we love God and obey His commands. ³ For this is what love for God is: to keep His commands. Now His commands are not a burden,

a. Love _____

b. _____ His commands

In fact the level at which we love, can be identified within the level in which we obey Him.

2. _____ God’s Love

Matthew 28:18–20 HCSB

¹⁸ Then Jesus came near and said to them, “All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. ¹⁹ Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ teaching them to observe everything I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

So how do we share Gods Love?

a. Don’t be _____

b. _____

So let us commit ourselves to a love for God with all that we are, a love that views others through the eyes of God, so that we may share God’s love with others.