## The People Of God, Pursuing The Plans of God, By The Power Of God

Who Should I Love And How Much Should I Love Them? Matthew 22:37-40

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**Thesis:** We are to be committed to glorifying God, as the people of God, because He is worthy to be glorified. As both the church gathered and the church scattered we are to have an outward proclamation and an inward meditation of the gospel. This should lead to being a disciple who makes disciples of all nations who are known for their love. As disciples of Christ we should seek to make disciples by sharing the love of Christ with those around us.

- 1. God before all else and above all else (vs. 37-38).
  - A. You can know the Bible and still miss its point.
    - 1. The revelation of God as the highest being in the universe.

2. This revelation should invoke in us a love for God.

- B. Our love for God is to be expressed in obedience to His commands.
  - 1. This love for God should be life encompassing.

2. Keeping the commandments has always been about loving God.

- 2. The love of God should overflow from us to our neighbors (vs. 39-40).
  - A. Here are two big questions that are asked from this passage:
    - 1. Who is my neighbor?
    - 2. How do I love someone like I love myself?

B. No law is needed where love reigns.

3. Truly living out the love of God and love of others can be hard, so we must call upon the power of the Lord in prayer.