

Deeper – Spring 2010

Session 1

Be prepared to discuss the following in your small groups.

Answer the following question with only one sentence:
What's the purpose of life?

Read Matthew 22:34-40 and answer the following questions:

What do you know about the Sadducees and the Pharisees?

Why would they try to test Jesus?

What does Jesus mean when he says, "with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind?"

How would we put this kind of love into action?

In your own words, what does it mean to love God?

In your own words, what does it mean to love others?

Does every person love himself or herself? Why?

Jesus answers the legal experts question with two great commands—the greatest and the second greatest. Is it possible to practice only one command without the other? How would you explain what Jesus means?

Which are you better at: loving God or loving others? Why?

Write a definition of what it means to serve others in love.
