MY JOURNEY TO THE EMPTY TOMB

The Greatest Commandment Matthew 22:34-46

Main Idea of the Text:

Simply knowing about Jesus is not enough. Jesus calls us to a deeper knowledge of Himself by way of both the mind and heart.

Sermon outline:

1. A Context to the Conversation

2. The Test

3. The Heart Behind the Greatest Commandments

1. A Context to the Conversation

- Verses 34-35
- Teaching in the midst of the Passover
- A confrontation of the Sadducees and the Pharisees
- Jesus as the Living Word, John 1

2. The Test

- Verse 36
- The lawyer's seemingly simple question
- The numerous levitical laws
- The trap

3. The Heart Behind the Greatest Commandments

- Verses 37-40
- Jesus' simple response
- The heart behind the laws
- Romans 6:15-23
- John 14:15

Next Steps

- How are you doing: 20 in 24
- Reflect on how you "love" God
- Where does your love of God come from?