

Taking Aim: The Three Greats

Love God as a Family – The Shema

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Matthew 22:34-40, 28:19-20; Deuteronomy 7:1-6

Love God. Love People. Change the World.

personally – **family** – *church*

1. If you're a Christian, the Lord has brought you into the Ultimate Promised Land, a love relationship with Himself. v. 1a, 2 Corinthians 6:16b-18
2. The love and grace of Christ gives you victory over the sin that had been victorious over you. v. 1b
3. After God has rescued you from sin by His grace through your faith in Christ, then you must fight in the Lord's army, under the command of the Holy Spirit, to drive out, defeat, and destroy evil, and the influences of evil. v.2a, Ephesians 6:10-12
4. As a soldier in God's army, you must never commit treason by joining forces with those who are enemies of God. You must never allow your children to join forces with the enemies of God. vv.2b-4, 2 Corinthians 6:14-16a
5. As a child of God, you must make war against His enemies: "break down," "smash," "cut down," and "burn" the instruments of evil. v.5
6. If you are a true Christian, you have been set apart from the world, and reserved for God only. v.6a
7. If you are a true Christian, it's not because you have chosen Him to be your possession, but it's because He has chosen you to be His possession. v.6b, 1 Peter 2:9-12