

# Scripture

## Matthew 22:34-40 (NLT)

### The Most Important Commandment

**34** But when the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees with his reply, they met together to question him again. **35** One of them, an expert in religious law, tried to trap him with this question: **36** “Teacher, which is the most important commandment in the law of Moses?”

**37** Jesus replied, “*You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your mind.*” **38** This is the first and greatest commandment. **39** A second is equally important: ‘*Love your neighbor as yourself.*’ **40** The entire law and all the demands of the prophets are based on these two commandments.”