



# Lewiston Church of Christ

## January 28, 2018



### Weekly Services

Sunday Morning

Bible Study 9:45 AM

Worship 10:45 AM

Sunday Evening 6:00 PM

Wed Bible Study 7:00 PM

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## Great Promises!

Quiz question: What is the greatest commandment?

If you don't know the answer, stop reading this bulletin and go to **Mark 12:29-31** where Jesus affirmed that the greatest commandment is to love God "with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength."

Did He say "all"? Yes, four times.

The Bible contains many commands but this one stands above them all. But it does not stand alone. It stands tall on some powerful promises coming straight from the God who loved us first. Let's consider the command to love God above all under the bright light of the following promising passages:

- ♦ *"We know that God causes all things to work together for good to those who **love God**, to those who are called according to His purpose."* (Romans 8:28).
- ♦ *"Things which eye has not seen and ear has not heard, and which have not entered the heart of man, all that God has prepared for those who **love Him**." (1 Corinthians 2:9).*
- ♦ *"Blessed is a man who perseveres under trial; for once he has been approved, he will receive the crown of life which the Lord has promised to those who **love Him**." (James 1:12).*
- ♦ *"...did not God choose the poor of this world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom which He promised to those who **love Him**?" (James 2:5).*

God does not demand our love on a one-way street. He demonstrated His faithful love to Israel first by delivering them from slavery, then He gave them ten commandments. He first sent Jesus to free us from our slavery to sin, then He commanded us to forgive each other. Indeed, *"We love, because He first loved us."* (1 John 4:19).