

PENTECOST METHODIST CHURCH

LIVE-IT-OUT GUIDE



Sermon Date: 20/10/2019

Text(s): Deuteronomy 6:4 – 9, 20 – 25

Title: The Greatest Commandment

Preacher: Rev Dr Maggie Low

(The sermon recording and slides are available in the PMC website and MyPMC App)

READ (5 mins)

(Read the Bible texts, quietly or aloud)

Deuteronomy 6:5 (ESV)

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might.

REFLECT (30 mins)

(Reflect on key themes and questions in the text)

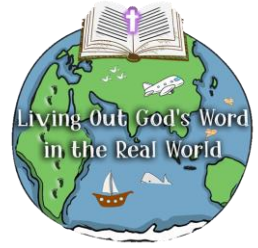
1. The Hebrew word for love is '*ahav* (*ahab*). What is love all about as often portrayed in popular media?
2. The Hebrew word for soul is *nephesh*. It refers to your life. What comes to your mind when you think of the word 'soul'? Is it just an object, 'a thing', like a smartphone is an object, or is it something more than that?
3. The Hebrew word for might is *me'od*. It means 'muchness'. It's about your possessions and financial strength. How do we love God with our 'muchness'?

Additional question:

4. Deuteronomy 6:4 – 9 is often referred to as the *Shema* because the Hebrew word for 'hear' in v.4 is *shema*. What else do you think God wants us to hear and know from Deuteronomy 6:20 – 25?

RELATE (30 mins)

(Relate and apply God's word to our daily lives)



1. **What does it mean to love God? The preacher said the *Shema* (what Deut 6:4 – 9 is often referred to as) is written like a treaty between a powerful king and a less powerful king. It means a covenant to loyalty; a commitment. How can we tune our hearts to love God according to this understanding instead of the understanding seen in popular media?**

2. **The preacher explained that your soul is your life. If a man says he would die for a cause, he is saying he would give his life for that cause. How about we consider what we would live for and not just what we would die for? In the context of this sermon, how would you want to live for God? Share one way how you could do this.**

REST (15 mins)

(Take time to share and pray for one another)

(Pray for our church, our nation, and our world. See MyPMC > PRAY for weekly guide)

- Pray for one another to have a committed heart towards God, to be loyal to Him, to love Him with all our heart, soul and might.
- Pray for others in your family or circle of friends who need prayer support.
- Remember our church and churches in Singapore to continue as godly witnesses to Singapore and beyond.