

# LOVE GOD BY PUTTING HIM FIRST

*Love Is Greater Than \_\_\_\_\_*  
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## KEY SCRIPTURES

- [Colossians 1:15-18](#)
- [Matthew 22:36-40](#)
- [Revelation 13:15-18](#)
- [John 6:66-68](#)
- [Zechariah 14:4](#)

## KEY POINTS

- There is a glass display in the church lobby that reminds us from Colossians 1:18 – JESUS IS PREEMINENT, meaning “the highest place of ascendancy, above all, over all, surpassing all, to the point that nothing and no one else can even come close”.
- Our Statement of Faith states that our number one priority is to “worship GOD in all HIS fullness...”
- We must prioritize our loves: GOD first, people second. Anything, including people, that replaces GOD as preeminent is idolatry.
- Honoring our parents is critical to honoring GOD.
- The final days we live in are full of deception. We must urgently love GOD and keep HIM first.
- We should be careful to not allow cultural Christianity (humanism at its core) to deceive us into placing humanity above JESUS’s deity.
- JESUS is returning soon to rule HIS Kingdom of Love where HE will reign the UNDISPUTED PREEMINENT KING!

## DISCUSSION

1. How do you make JESUS preeminent in your life ...in devotional time? ...in relationships? ...in giving?
2. Identify the idol: What or who is getting in the way of you loving GOD by putting HIM first?
3. Were there any deceptions or potential deceptions mentioned in the message that you were unaware of? How can you guard yourself, your family, your church body from these interfering with JESUS’s preeminence?