

Near but not in the Kingdom of God

INTRODUCTION

- There is a very large difference between being n_____ the kingdom of God and being _____ the Kingdom of God.

THE LAWERYLY TEST

- Why were the Pharisees, Sadducees and Scribes afraid of Jesus? _____
- The Scribe was also a law _____ and asked Jesus a question about the L _____.

THE GREATEST COMMANDMENT

- The greatest aspect of the law is two-fold: Love of _____ and love of _____ (Deuteronomy 6:4-9 – also known as the Shema)
- What type of love are you to love God? Ag _____.
- Our love for God is to be a _____ encompassing.
- We are to love our ne _____ in the same manner. (Leviticus 17:18-19; 1 John 4:20-21)
- Jesus got the the very ess _____ of the 10 Commandments. The first three deal with how we are to love _____. The rest show how we are to love one _____. The perfect love toward God united with perfect love toward man.
- Look up Hosea 6:6 and 1 Samuel 15:22 to better understand why loving God and others is greater than sacrifices.
- Sacrifices only point to God's gracious love and for _____ toward sinners

NEAR BUT NOT IN

- The Scribe was still relying on the L _____ and not the G _____. The Law says what we a__ to do and n__ to do.
- God's l _____ is the impetuous for the gospel.
- F _____ is how we receive the gospel
- Can you boast in how well you have loved God and others? _____
- To be in the Kingdom of God is to be _____ in him who is the King.
- We love not because of the law but because of the very g _____.

HEAR & APPLY THE WORD

- Take time to answer this question: What's the difference between being near or in the kingdom of heaven?
- If someone asked you, "Why are we supposed to love?" could you give a gospel-centered answer?

