## Mark 12:29-31 (NLT) <sup>29</sup> Jesus replied, "The most important commandment is this: 'Listen, O Israel! The Lord our God is the one and only Lord.

#### <sup>30</sup> And you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, all your mind, and all your strength.'

#### <sup>31</sup> The second is equally important: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' No other commandment is greater than these."

1 John 4:17-19 (NLT) <sup>17</sup> And as we live in God, our love grows more perfect. So we will not be afraid on the day of judgment, but we can face Him with confidence because we live like Jesus here in this world.

<sup>18</sup> Such love has no fear, because perfect love expels all fear. If we are afraid, it is for fear of punishment, and this shows that we have not **fully experienced His perfect** love.

#### <sup>19</sup> We love each other because He loved us first.

Luke 11:1-13 (NLT) **Once Jesus was in a certain** place praying. As He finished, one of His disciples came to Him and said, "Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples."

# <sup>2</sup> Jesus said, "This is how you should pray: "Father, may Your name be kept holy.

#### > Yahweh: I Am El Elyon: Most High God > Jehovah-Jireh: The Lord is our Provider Jehovah Rophe: The Lord is our Healer El Shaddai: God Almighty

## May Your Kingdom come soon. <sup>3</sup> Give us each day the food we need,

#### <sup>4</sup> and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And don't let us yield to temptation."

<sup>5</sup> Then, teaching them more about prayer, He used this story: "Suppose you went to a friend's house at midnight, wanting to borrow three loaves of bread. You say to him,

<sup>6</sup> `A friend of mine has just arrived for a visit, and I have nothing for him to eat.' <sup>7</sup> And suppose he calls out from his bedroom, 'Don't bother me. The door is locked for the night, and my family and I are all in bed. I can't help you.'

<sup>8</sup> But I tell you this—though he won't do it for friendship's sake, if you keep knocking long enough, he will get up and give you whatever you need because of your shameless persistence.

#### <sup>9</sup> "And so I tell you, keep on asking, and you will receive what you ask for. Keep on seeking, and you will find. Keep on knocking, and the door will be opened to you.

#### <sup>10</sup> For everyone who asks, receives. Everyone who seeks, finds. And to everyone who knocks, the door will be opened.

#### If you could ask God for anything, right now, and you knew you would get it, what would you ask for?

#### <sup>11</sup> "You fathers—if your children ask for a fish, do you give them a snake instead? <sup>12</sup> Or if they ask for an egg, do you give them a scorpion? Of course not!

<sup>13</sup> So if you sinful people know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him."

**Romans 8:26-28 (NLT)** <sup>26</sup> And the Holy Spirit helps us in our weakness. For example, we don't know what God wants us to pray for. But the Holy Spirit prays for us with groanings that cannot be expressed in words.

#### <sup>27</sup> And the Father who knows all hearts knows what the Spirit is saying, for the Spirit pleads for us believers in harmony with God's own will.

#### <sup>28</sup> And we know that God causes everything to work together for the good of those who love God and are called according to His purpose for them.

**Romans 8:15-17 (NLT)** <sup>15</sup> So you have not received a spirit that makes you fearful slaves. Instead, you received God's Spirit when he adopted you as his own children. Now we call him, "Abba, Father."

<sup>16</sup> For His Spirit joins with our spirit to affirm that we are God's children. 17 And since we are His children, we are His heirs. In fact, together with Christ we are heirs of God's glory.

# But if we are to share His glory, we must also share His His suffering.

1 John 4:17 (NLT) <sup>17</sup> And as we live in God, our love grows more perfect. So we will not be afraid on the day of judgment, but we can face Him with confidence because we live like Jesus here in this world.

Galatians 5:22-23 (NLT) **But the Holy Spirit produces** this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against these things!