

Bible Study in Matthew 22 34-40
For Home Groups in the week commencing 9th January 2012.

Welcome.

Q: What do you think people 'like' and 'dislike' about Christianity?

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David Cameron has said of himself "I am a committed – but I have to say vaguely practising – Church of England Christian, who will stand up for the values and principles of my faith,". He said of our country "that the Church must shape our values".

Q: What do you think David Cameron meant? What do you think he might believe are the "values and principles" of Christian faith?

Read Matthew 22:34-40

Q: Sometimes people say that Christianity is about being good. Is that how Jesus describe it?

Q: How, as we grow, do different groups of people attract our love?

Q: What do these different groups of people give us that we need?

Q: What does God give us? How does understanding God as Father, Son and Holy Spirit help understand the different sorts of love that he gives us?

Q: How is it possible to love more than one person with everything that we are and have? Hence how is it possible to love God with everything and to love others too?

Q: How does loving God help us love others?

Q: How does loving God help us love ourselves?

Q: What happens if there is conflict between our desire to love God and our desire to love others?

Q: Why should we love God with everything that we have?

Q: What are the implications for us if we do this?

C. S. Lewis said "I believe in Christianity as I believe that the sun has risen: not only because I see it, but because by it I see everything else.