

A person's hands are shown holding a black Bible against a dark background. The Bible is the central focus, with the hands positioned on the left and right sides, gripping the edges. The text is overlaid on the left side of the Bible.

THE
PRIMARY
COMMAND

MATTHEW 22:34-38



WHY IS THIS IMPORTANT?

Love for God is critical...

- Without it, we are condemned (1 Cor. 16:22).
- Only with it do we receive the reward (Jas. 1:2; 2:5).
- Without it, we will not obey Him (Rom. 8:28-30).





CAN I REALLY
SAY I LOVE
GOD IF...

- I don't know what He says (Jn. 14:15, 21-24)?
- I find His commands **burdensome** (1 Jn. 5:3)?

Mounce Greek Dictionary
"Oppressive"



SO HOW DO WE
GROW IN THIS
COMMAND?

Devote

Cut out all competition
with God

Pray

Speak to Him more often

Read

Listen to Him more often

Serve

do so
more/unconditionally

