Connect Group Sermon-Based Questions Meetings October 8th - 14th

Mark 12:18-44

1. In verses 18-23, the Sadducees (who said there was no resurrection) asked Jesus a question about the resurrection in an attempt to trick Him.

What in their question prompted Jesus' response, "You don't know the Scriptures"? And, "You don't know the power of God"? (Consider 1 Corinthians 15-35-44 and 1 John 3:1-2)

- 2. What do you envision our lives will be like when we have new life in resurrected bodies?
- 3. In verses 28, "One of the teachers of religious law was standing there listening to the debate. He realized that Jesus had answered well, so he asked, 'Of all the commandments, which is the most important'?"

What one word encompasses all that Jesus answered? What did the questioner's response to Jesus indicate?

- 4. What does it mean when a person is "not far from the kingdom of God?"
- 5. How does Jesus' description of the "Teachers of religious law" apply to leaders in today's church? What suggestions would you offer to correct these faults? (Consider Mark 9:35)
- 6. What does the story of the poverty-stricken widow say to you about the way you treat the money God has entrusted to you?