



# Treasure Cove Ride Home Review

A discussion guide to use on the ride home from church and all week at home  
**First Things First!** May 11, 2014

Matthew 22:37-39—“Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: Love your neighbor as yourself.”

## #1 Fuel Up – Happy Mother’s Day and welcome to Treasure Cove!

Today we continued to learn more about how God wants us to love Him and follow His plan for our lives. One way He wants us to show our love to Him is to love others as we love ourselves.

When we love others as we love ourselves, we treat people differently. Sometimes when we love others the way God wants us to, people will be surprised by our actions. In the drama today, Esmerelda was surprised to learn Samson had given away his prized possession—his surfboard. But Samson was showing love to others by making sure his belongings weren’t more important to him than God or other people.

That’s how God wants all of us to live. It’s not about giving our things away; it’s about making sure we don’t let our possessions become more important to us than God or the other people in our lives. Anytime we allow our possessions to become more important to us than God or other people our possessions can become our idols.

In the Treasure Cove drama, we saw how having idols, making things more important than God, changes people and makes them more selfish. That is also true in our lives. The only way we can keep the Greatest Commandment is to let Jesus into our hearts and grow our relationship with Him. Then we can be filled with the Holy Spirit and truly love others as we love ourselves.

### Don’t forget to ask for Directions

- ☐ Monday Exodus 19:1-20
- ☐ Tuesday Deut. 6:4-6
- ☐ Wednesday 1 Peter 4:10-11
- ☐ Thursday Luke 6:27-31
- ☐ Friday Jonah 2:8-9
- ☐ Saturday 1 John 5:20-21

## #2 Look, Listen & Learn

Hello! Want to watch the Treasure Cove Drama on-line or catch a week you missed? Please visit the church website at [www.nfcnaz.org](http://www.nfcnaz.org) to learn more. Here are a few questions about this week’s show.

**What is more important to the Professor than looking for people?** (It’s more important to him to work on the Molecular Matter Transporter.)

**What are Pepper and Paulie hiding from One-Eyed Jack?** (They’re hiding the treasure map.)

**What did Samson give to someone in need?** (He gave away his prized possession, his surfboard.)

**Why is it important for the Castaways to keep looking for the Pirates?** (Delbert’s Information manual reminds them you have to love the people around you, even when they’re not nice or they’re different than you.)

**What does Esmerelda do when Mrs. Stifleman finds her?** (She points Mrs. Stifleman in a different direction and keeps following her treasure map.)

## #3 Discuss

Have you had an opportunity to be a friend to someone who doesn’t have any friends?

What is the difference between just knowing about Jesus and knowing Him and following Him?

What is the Greatest Commandment?

Who might God want you to be a friend to this week?

**#4 Go** – Would your family like to have an adventure this week or plan one for the summer? One way you can make an ordinary day special is to prepare a scavenger hunt treasure map for your children. A few days in advance, write out a list of items your children can search for around the house or outside (park, campground, etc.). Include items it will take at least two people to find to prevent one person from completing it alone. Wad up the paper and allow it to sit in a batch of brewed tea for a few minutes. Spread the tea-stained paper flat and let it dry completely to create your own Treasure Map. Be sure to dry the map on paper towels to keep from staining other items.