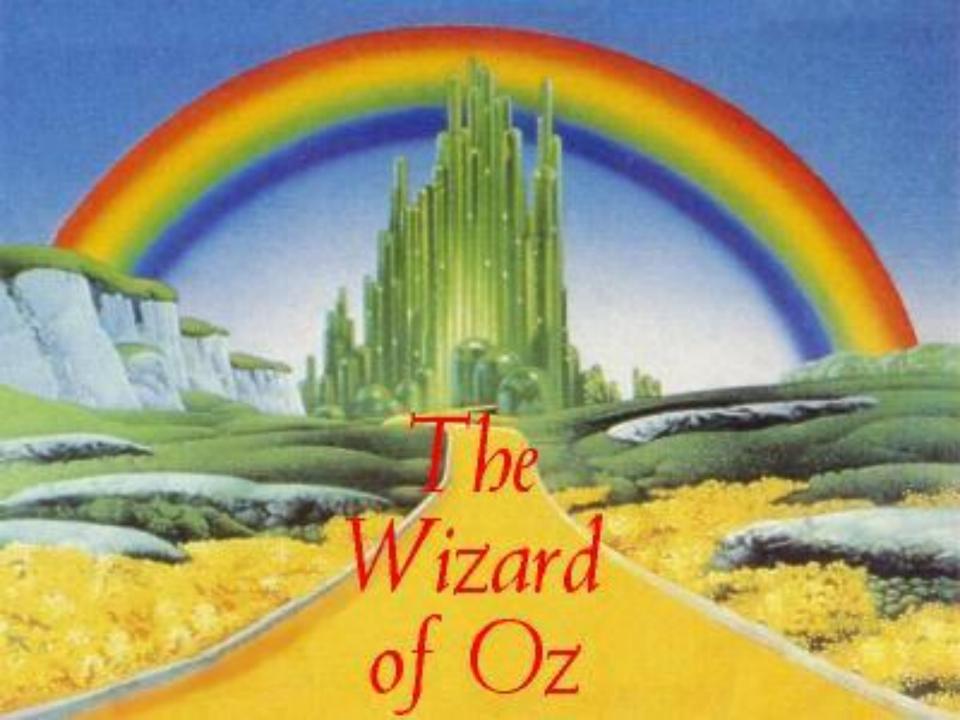


²⁸ One of the teachers of the law came and heard them debating. Noticing that Jesus had given them a good answer, ∠he asked him, "Of all the commandments, which is the most important?"

²⁹ "The most important one," answered Jesus, "is this: 'Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. 30 Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.

³¹ The second is this: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no commandment greater than these." 32 "Well said, teacher," the man replied. "You are right in saying that God is one and there is no other but him.

³³ To love him with all your heart, with all your understanding and with all your strength, and to love your neighbor as yourself is more important than all burnt offerings and sacrifices."



The Scarecrow



TheScarecrowwanted aBrain.

(Colossians 3:1-2)

¹ Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ² Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things.

(1 Peter 1:13)

¹³ Therefore, with minds that are alert and fully sober, set your hope on the grace to be brought to you when Jesus Christ is revealed at his coming.

The Scarecrow



 The Scarecrow wanted a <u>Brain</u>.

Remember to keep <u>learning</u>, if you stop <u>learning</u>, you stop growing.

The Tin Man



The TinManwanted aheart.

(Proverbs 4:23)

Above all else, guard your heart, for everything you do flows from it.

The Tin Man



The Tin Man wanted a heart.

• Guard your heart.

The Lion



The Lion wantedCourage.

(Romans 12:1-2) (The Message) **But So here's what I want** you to do, God helping you: Take your everyday, ordinary life—your sleeping, eating, going-to-work, and walkingaround life—and place it before God as an offering.

(Romans 12:1-2) (The Message) **Embracing what God does for** you is the best thing you can do for him. Don't become so welladjusted to your culture that you fit into it without even thinking. Instead, fix your attention on God.

(Romans 12:1-2) (The Message) You'll be changed from the inside out. Readily recognize what he wants from you, and quickly respond to it. Unlike the culture around you, always dragging you down to its level of immaturity, God brings the best out of you, develops well-formed maturity in you.

The Lion



 The Lion wanted <u>Courage</u>.

 Stand up, be different, live your life to serve and do good in the name of Jesus Christ.

Dorothy



Dorothyjustwanted togo Home.

(Philippians 3:20)

But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ...

Dorothy



 Dorothy wanted to go <u>Home</u>.

As followers of Jesus our goal is to get home too.

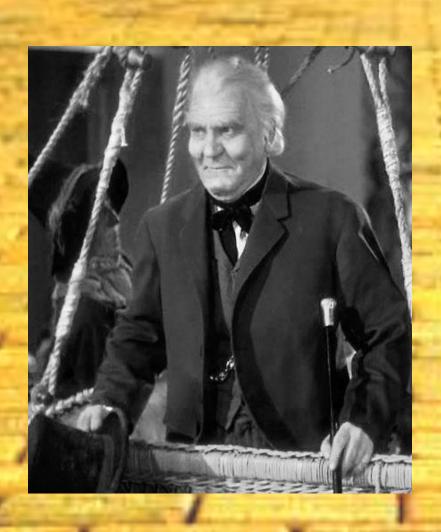
Wicked Witch Of The West



We will
encounter
trials and
difficulties
in our lives.

(James 1:2-4) ² Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, 3 because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance. 4 Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything.

Wizard



Turns out to be a <u>Fraud</u>.

 Our Lord and Savior Jesus
Christ is no <u>fraud</u>.



(Matthew 7:13-14)

13 "Enter through the narrow gate. For wide is the gate and broad is the road that leads to destruction, and many enter through it. 14 But small is the gate and narrow the road that leads to life, and only a few find it.

Summary The way of Jesus is loving God and loving others.

Summary

We are to love God with the whole of our being:

- ·**Hearts**
- ·Soul
- •Mind
- Strength

