

Who Needs the Ten Commandments?

Exodus 20:1-17

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me

Thou shalt not make unto
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Thou shalt not take
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thy God, in vain

Remember the sabbath
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Honor thy father and
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Thou shalt not kill

Thou shalt not commit
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I. God and His Commandments.

A. The Commandments.

B. The Purposes of the Law.

-First the Law was to reveal God's glory and holiness.

-Second, the Law reveals man's sinfulness.

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Romans 7:7

What shall we say then? Is the law sin? Certainly not! On the contrary, I would not have known sin except through the law. For I would not have known covetousness unless the law had said, "You shall not covet."

Romans 7:13

Has then what is good become death to me? Certainly not! But sin, that it might appear sin, was producing death in me through what is good, so that sin through the commandment might become exceedingly sinful.

Third, they mark Israel as His chosen people and to separate them from the other nations.

Psalm 147:19-20,

He declares His word to Jacob, His statutes and His judgments to Israel.

²⁰He has not dealt thus with any nation; And as for His judgments, they have not known them.

Eph. 2:11-17

V.13 But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ...

V.15, having abolished in His flesh the enmity, that is, the law of commandments contained in ordinances, so as to create in Himself one new man from the two, thus making peace.

II. The Law.

A. The law is compared to:

B. The Law brought the curse and condemnation.

Gal. 3:11, *But that no one is justified by the law in the sight of God is evident, for "the just shall live by faith."*

He became curse for us, who knew no sin.

C. Jesus fulfilled the Law completely.

Romans 10:4

*For Christ is the end of the law for
righteousness to everyone who believes.*

Romans 6:14

*For sin shall not have dominion over you,
for you are not under law but under grace.*

D. How should we apply them today?

1st - Like a mirror, they reveal sin.

2nd - Like a compass, they give us direction in life.

3rd - Like a policeman, helps to exercise restraint.

4th - Like a thermometer, they measure our devotion and love to God and His purpose for our lives.

5th - Like a guardian or schoolmaster, they bring us to Christ.

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Commandment #9

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Question #1

Did you ever tell a lie?

Question #2

Did you ever coven something that belonged to someone else?

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