



Redemption

How Jesus Frees Us

Sunday, September 22, 2019 | Wawasee Community Bible Church | Milford, Indiana | Pastor Josh Weiland

Part 20: God's Top Ten List

Exodus 20:1-21

When God says, “**DON'T**”,
what he's really saying is:
“**DON'T HURT YOURSELF**”.

About the Ten Commandments:

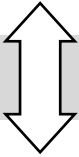
- Given as instructions for how to live life as God's Children in the Promised Land
- Can be divided into 4 “vertical” commands and 6 “horizontal” Matthew 22:37-40
- Spoken in the hearing of EVERYONE (not just Moses!) Exodus 20:22; Deut. 5:22-24
- Codified on tablets of stone Exodus 31:18
- They are not the only commands given by God...
- They are lived out perfectly only by Jesus Christ! Matthew 5:17; Romans 10:4; 1 Peter 2:22
- They are not abolished by Jesus, but actually expanded upon by Jesus!

Summarizing the Ten Commandments

A Moment-to-Moment Choice

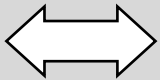


Jesus' summarizes them (and all the Law) in Matthew 22:37-40



Part 1: Love GOD (the Vertical Commands)
How to Relate to God:

1. The Lord alone must be worshiped; don't have any other gods ^{v.3}
2. Don't make or worship idols ^{v.4-6}
3. Don't call on the name of the Lord in the wrong way ^{v.7}
4. Keep the Sabbath holy by ceasing work on that day (worship by resting) ^{v.8-11}



Part 2: Love OTHERS (the Horizontal Commands)
How to Relate to Others:

5. Honor your parents ^{v.12}
6. Don't commit murder ^{v.13}
7. Don't commit adultery ^{v.14}
8. Don't steal ^{v.15}
9. Don't give false testimony (lie) ^{v.16}
10. Don't covet other people's stuff ^{v.17}



life **HOMework** groups

What is this? – Each week people from Wawasee Bible meet in small groups in various homes to learn about Jesus, pray, eat, laugh, and live life together. We call them Life Groups. The questions here are based on the sermon each week (often a parallel passage of Scripture), and guide each group's study. If you're interested in connecting with a Life Group, let us know on the Connect Card in your bulletin.

Getting Started

1. **Getting to Know You:** *What movies have you seen more than once? Why?*
2. The term "The 10 Commandments" is well known even if most people don't truly understand their significance. While growing up, which did you associate most with the 10 Commandments? — **(a)** A Charlton Heston movie; **(b)** Something I memorized and can repeat to this day; **(c)** My parents quoted them to keep me in line; **(d)** Would help me get to heaven; **(e)** The ultimate sins you shouldn't do; **(f)** Other
3. **Read Exodus 20:1-21.** Review your message notes. What stood out to you from the message this week? Do you have questions? Disagreements? Discuss it with your group.

Digging Deeper

4. The purpose of God's commandments has been misunderstood over time and yet still passed on in church and in homes. As we grow more in our faith and understanding of God's word, we have the opportunity to help family and friends more closely align with God's truth. How does **Deuteronomy 6:1-9, 24-25** (which follows immediately after the 10 Commandments when they're written out for the second time in Deuteronomy 5) help us better understand how to apply the principles of the 10 Commandments in our lives?
5. What actions does God want the people to take in the verses above and how do they still apply to us today?
6. As most of us hear "you shall not make or bow down to an idol" we're probably all thinking we've got this covered. Yet many of us are unaware that an idol (aka "other god") can be anything in life that we've made more important than God. (*Pastor Josh mentioned I.D.O.L.S. can be idols, duties, others, longings, sufferings among other things.*) As you read through the following list of potential idols, write down how each could become an idol. Next, read through the corresponding verses and jot down any truths or new insights that might help someone deal with an idol in their life.

Possessions — **Luke 16:13; 1 John 2:15-17**

Performance — **Colossians 3:17**

Work — **Luke 10:40-41**

Relationships — **Galatians 5:13**

Perfectionism — **Romans 3:23**

Other: _____

- a. How might someone be able to determine the fine line between something being a priority and something being an idol in their life?
7. Although we are no longer "under" the 10 Commandments, there are some useful principles we can apply to our life today. One of the more useful commandments has to do with the Sabbath and God's reminder for us to rest. What can be learned in the following verses about how God can work in us when we take time for rest and refreshment?

John 7:37-39

Isaiah 40:29

Hebrews 4:14-16

- a. Can you think of any times where God renewed or refreshed you in a similar way?
8. Spend some time praying with and for one another.

*During your prayer time this week, let's all be praying together about the following items.
Use the space at the bottom to record your personal prayer items, or requests from your Life Group.*

Neighboring Church

Pray this week for the ministry and people of the Apostolic Christian Church in Milford.

Personal Prayer Items

Word Find for Deuteronomy 5:22-24 (ESV)

Find the words **bolded** below.

22 "These words the **LORD spoke** to all your **assembly** at the **mountain** out of the **midst** of the **fire**, the **cloud**, and the **thick darkness**, with a **loud**

voice; and he **added** no **more**.

And he wrote them on two **tablets** of **stone** and **gave** them to me. 23 And as **soon** as you **heard** the **voice** out of the **midst** of the **darkness**, while the **mountain** was **burning** with **fire**, you **came** near to me, all the **heads** of your **tribes**, and your **elders**. 24 And you **said**, '**Behold**, the **LORD** our God has **shown** us his **glory** and **greatness**, and we have **heard** his **voice** out of the **midst** of the **fire**. This day we have **seen** God **speak** with man, and man still live.

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