

TEN COMMANDMENTS

A Response of Gratitude for a Relationship

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Commands 3-4



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• Review

- Religion is about Rules
- God seeks to provide a Relationship



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• Review

- The Law (rules) was not a condition for a relationship, but confirmation of a relationship
- Relationship always precedes rules with God



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Overview

- Our goal is to seek to understand the original intent and determine how we can carry out the principles of these commands.
- Since we are not under Law, our focus is living the principles of the Law with the higher requirements of grace.



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| 1. No other gods | 5. Honor father and mother |
| 2. No images | 6. No murder |
| 3. Do not misuse His name | 7. No adultery |
| 4. Remember the Sabbath | 8. No stealing |
| | 9. No false witness |
| | 10. No coveting |



3rd Command

Exodus 20:7 You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain

- “Vain”
 - Worthless
 - For a worthless purpose
 - Deceitful



3rd Command

Key Issue

- The Name
 - YHWH
 - Special relationship to Israel
 - God is and reveals Himself actively, especially to Israel
 - Powerfully present to fulfill His Word



3rd Command

Key Issue

- The Name YHWH
 - Central to Israel’s relationship with their God
 - Central to Israel’s worship of God



3rd Command

Key Issue

- Don’t misuse the name of YHWH
 - Profane
 - Turn it into a curse?
 - Don’t use it or associate it with something other than God
 - Vow
 - Deception



3rd Command

Principle

- Honor God’s name
- Honor God with loyalty to His name
 - Don’t misuse
 - Don’t leverage it for your benefit
 - Don’t use your relationship with God—for your benefit and detriment of others
 - Don’t set up rule in God’s name (Don’t make religion)
 - Don’t leverage your will on others by attaching His name



3rd Command

If you get in the habit of trying to avoid the Law of God in the Name of God you will miss God



4th Command

Exodus 20:8–11 “Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. 9 Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, 10 but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates. 11 For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy. (ESV)



4th Command

Theological questions

- Are we required to keep the Sabbath?
- Are we under the Law?
- Is the Sabbath Sunday?



4th Command

Principle questions

- Was Sabbath about
 - Inactivity
 - Rest
 - Trust
 - Priority of worship



4th Command

Key Issue

- The focus of the Sabbath laws was on honoring God for His blessing which was a way of declaring not only an acknowledgement of God's goodness, but a trust that He would continue to bless.



4th Command

Key Issue

Rest is not the absence of activity it is purposeful enjoyment of God's work on our behalf.



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- The 3rd commandment focused on honoring God by not using His name for one's benefit.
- The 4th commandment focused on honoring God by trusting Him and enjoying His blessing.