



Reflection Questions

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The Decalogue – No Other Gods

Exodus 20:3

Commandment 1 reminds us that God is the one true God, unique and holy, and deserving of our worship and devotion. It highlights the necessity of placing God above all else in our affections, trust, fear, and obedience. How does the impossibility of perfect obedience to this commandment chase us to Christ?

Reflection Questions:

1. How does the first commandment, "You shall have no other gods before me," lay the foundation for the rest of the Ten Commandments?
2. In what ways do we see the righteousness of God displayed in the first commandment?
3. How does the first commandment reveal our sin and our tendency to worship idols?
4. Can you think of any idols in our culture today that people often worship instead of the one true God?
5. How can we prioritize and esteem God above all things in our lives? What are some practical steps we can take?
6. What are some examples of how we can love created things more than God?
7. Why is it important to trust God above all else, even when it comes to our wealth and the uncertainties of the future?
8. What are some ways that fear of other people or circumstances can compete with our fear of God?
9. In what ways do we see the gospel message of Jesus' perfect obedience bringing hope and freedom in light of our inability to perfectly obey the law?