The Ten Commandments are principles for living. They are meant to better our relationships with people and with God.



60% of all marriages end in divorce.

Families today are more broken and separated today than ever before.

Many people (elderly) are lonely.

Why do relationships go bad? Hurting each other Cheating Killing Lying **Disrespect** Violating Dishonor Arguing **Fighting** Hate Picking **Miscommunication** Mistreatment Yelling Screaming Control **Stealing**

HIPS

God never created us to isolate. Isolation creates a false sense of security and it feeds into selfishness.



The Sermon on the Mount that lists out various ways of living was Jesus' way of helping us live a life of order, peace, and happiness.



The Sermon on the Mount is God's constitution for righteous living.



Constitution Definition

A body of fundamental principles or established precedents. The system of beliefs and laws by which a country, state, or organization is governed. God's standards and principles by which we are to live our lives as Christians. Synonyms: Charter, Social Code, Law

The Sermon on the Mount is the true test to measure spiritual development in a person's life.

Do we walk out these attributes?



The Sermon on the Mount was preached by Jesus for the purpose of: Expose sin/unrighteousness Point us to Jesus as our help source (**D** Demonstrate the only way to live a life of true happiness To show us how to live life in relationships with family, friends, marriage, and God. COELANDMENTS

O BETTER RELATIONSHIP

Matthew 5:1-10 – The 8 Beatitudes

Poor in spirit
 Mourn
 Meek
 Hunger and thirst for righteousness
 Merciful
 Merciful
 Pure in heart
 Peacemakers
 Persecuted

All 8 teach us how to walk out life, love, happiness, godliness, and spiritual maturity.



Now there are 6 ungodly attitudes or behaviors that counter the 8 Beatitudes Matthew 5:21-48

- 1. Vs. 21-22 Anger/Murder
- 2. Vs. 27 Adultery/Sexual Sin
- 3. Vs. 32 Disregard for the sacredness of marriage
- Vs. 37 False Commitments, Lying, Breaking Covenant
 Vs. 38-40 Pride, Self Seekers, Self-centeredness
 Vs. 44 Retaliation, Revenge, Unforgiveness

Did you know that all relationships are like gardens... they must be watered and de-weeded.



A healthy family relationship requires about 10 positive statements to one negative one.

