

“The 10 Commandments, pt 3” • Exodus 20:12–14

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Intro • Story of Ahab, Jezebel, & Naboth

Discuss • Review this story: how do we see Ahab & Jezebel breaking at least 9 out of the 10 commandments?

What does James 2:10 tell us about breaking God’s laws?

5th Commandment • Honor your father and mother

The POINT of this command is that God is the _____,
so we must honor those He used to give us life.

Discuss • How are their days “prolonged” by obedience to this command? Three reasons—

(1) Exodus 21:17 & Proverbs 30:17

(2) The Story of Rehoboam – 1 Kings 12:6–15

(3) 1 Timothy 5:3–4 & 8

Discuss • Jesus confronted the Pharisees for their insidious breaking of this commandment (Matthew 15:1–9) What were they doing?

Jesus Connection → Jesus, Who is PERFECT, INFINITE GOD, submitted Himself to earthly parents, who were FINITE and IMPERFECT.

6th Commandment • You shall not murder

The POINT of this command is that God is the _____,
so we must not “play god” by choosing life or death for another person.

The right idea is *not* “you shall not kill”—but “*You shall not murder.*”
(Exodus 19:12–13; Romans 13:1–5)

Jesus Connection → The devil is THE murderer (John 8:44). Jesus is the abundant life giver (John 1:4 & 10:10). Jesus’ crucifixion wasn’t a legal execution. His trial was illegal, with false witnesses, in secret at night. Jesus was murdered so we can live!

Discuss • Our society is described as a “death culture.” How do we see this? Why have we become so calloused toward the value of life?

7th Commandment • You shall not commit adultery

The POINT of this command is that God is the _____;
He created sex to be a shared bond between husband and wife in marriage—but also as the means of “being fruitful and multiplying.”

Gospel Connection → 1 Corinthians 6:18–20

Discuss • What is the right way to think about our bodies? How does this give us victory over sexual temptation?

Closing: The study of the Law should draw us to Jesus and the Cross; we need to recognize we are lawbreakers, but we also have a place of forgiveness and grace. Our best response → REPENTANCE!