

Loving Others: Lessons from Commandments 5-10

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Bible Passage: Exodus 20:12-26

Big Idea: Loving God supremely energizes loving others in a _____ - _____ manner.

5th Commandment – [Honor your father and your mother] Loving God supremely ignites the _____ of others (20:12)

- God intended for the “honor” of others to begin with your own parents.
- *Honor* [kabod] - to treat someone with respect because they carry a heavy weight of authority.
- 4 divine reasons to honor your parents:
 - It is _____ to do (Ephesians 6:1)
 - It _____ God (Colossians 3:20)
 - It leads to long _____ (Exodus 20:12)
 - It _____ God’s blessings (Deuteronomy 5:16, Ephesians 6:1-3)

6th Commandment – [You shall not murder] Loving the Author of life shields us as we live in a culture of death (20:13)

- “murder” - putting to death for selfish reasons (intentional or unintentionally)
- Jesus made it clear that “murder” included the “killing of another” with our _____ or _____.

7th commandment – [You shall not commit adultery] Loving God supremely will cause us to value and protect God’s plan for marriage and human sexuality (20:14)

- Adultery defined: sexual involvement with someone who is not your husband or wife.
- Jesus made it clear that “adultery” included the “lusting after another” with our emotions, words or thoughts.
- God’s Word is consistent:
 - God will not be mocked (Galatians 6:7)
 - Jesus restated adultery was sin (Matthew 19:18)
 - The body was not meant for sexual immorality but for the Lord (1 Corinthians 6:13)

8th commandment – [You shall not steal] Loving God supremely ignites a trust in Him that creates a spiritual dynamic within us to give not steal. (20:15)

- At the heart of this sin is a deep lack of _____ in God.
- But underneath all those human motivations is a deep distrust in God.
 - We steal because we think God will not take care of us.

9th commandment – [You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor] Loving God (The source of all truth) supremely will drive deceit from us (20:16)

- **What’s so terrible about lying?**
 - It opens the door of _____ in society
 - **Deceit** poisons every human relationship, fractures families, divides people and ravages faith families.

10th Commandment – [You shall not covet your neighbor’s house; you shall not covet your neighbor’s wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor’s] Loving God and His righteousness is the only path to true satisfaction. (Matthew 5:6)

Fighter Memory Verse --JUNE

Romans 12:1–2 (ESV)

1 I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. 2 Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

TRUTH INTO ACTION

- Loving God supremely changes my treatment of others. **MAKE LOVING GOD YOUR LIFE'S PRIORITY.**
- The commandments reveal my bent toward sin in my body. **TRUST JESUS ALONE FOR YOUR VICTORY OVER SIN & DEATH.**

Pray first



Please understand we want to help you know Jesus personally and journey with you in taking fresh steps of obedience daily for Jesus. We would love to pray with you and for you. Join us at the end of the service for prayer or send us your request on the Connect Card and we will lift them up throughout the week.

Table Talk: This lesson is a follow up to the sermon. Please take the time this week to work through it in your community group or around your own kitchen table.

Warm Up: Share one thing you were taught as a child that you initially didn't understand but later came to appreciate as wisdom.

1. The 10 commands can be summed up under the single most important command that Jesus gave us in Mark 10:30-31, ³⁰ And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.' ³¹ The second is this: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these."
 - Do agree or disagree that loving God supremely will have a dynamic effect on how I treat others? If "yes" explain your answer. If "no" explain your answer.
2. In the sermon we looked at Romans 7:7-25. This passage begins with Paul stating it was the 10th commandment "don't covet" that awakened his desire *to covet*. Following that, Paul expresses his frustration in these words "I do what I don't want to do" and "I don't do what I want to do." Paul concluded that this reality was because of the principle of sin in his body.
 - Can you relate to Paul's frustration in Romans 7:24? If so, how?
 - Paul found his rescue in Jesus according to Romans 7:25. How has Jesus set you free sin?
3. The sermon's BIG IDEA stated **Loving God supremely energizes loving others in a self-sacrificing manner.**
 - What do we learn about the person who verbalizes "I love God, but I am hostile or hateful toward my brother" in 1 John 4:20-21?"
 - Why is it impossible to love God and hate people?

Prayer: Father God, life is filled with relationship struggles but I want to love You supremely and others as myself. So do that deep redemptive work in my life and as much as lies within me, help me to keep peace with all people. In the sweet name of Jesus I pray, AMEN!