

10 COMMANDMENTS

Sunday May 5th

LET'S TALK:

What pictures come into your mind when you think of the 10 commandments?
Has the thought crossed your mind that the 10 commandments are in need of an update?
Which of the 10 Commandments can you recall?

The Ten Commandments tell us about God's character and nature. How does a better understanding of God's character change how we interact with Him?

LET'S STUDY:

Read Exodus 20:1-2.
What is the significance that God spoke these words?

God said 'I am the Lord, Your God'. Why is it important that the 10 Commandments are given to people who are already in relationship with God?

What does God remind the Israelites before commanding obedience (vs 2)?

What does the word redemption mean?

Read Ephesians 1:7, Isaiah 44:22, 1 Peter 1:18-19 and Colossians 1:12-14.

Each of these verses mention God's plan of redemption of Christians from bondage. Briefly summarize redemption through Christ Jesus.

Read Exodus 20:3.

Discuss the meaning of the first commandment.

LET'S APPLY:

Are you feeling defeated by struggling to keep the commandments and fearful of God when you fail? Are you living life trying to earn the Lord's salvation?

Examining our own lives and comparing them to the Ten Commandments exposes our weakness and sinfulness. How does a better understanding of our own failures help us to appreciate God's forgiveness more?

LET'S PRAY:

Take time to give thanks for God's plan to reconcile the world to Himself. Give praise and worship Him for the gift of salvation.

Pray that keeping his commandments will be a joy and not a burden.

BEFORE NEXT TIME, ON YOUR OWN:

Read Exodus 19.

As you read the account of Moses' time with the Lord up the mountain of Sinai, what stands out to you?

Why was Moses instructed to consecrate the Israelites?

What was included in consecrating them?

What does this passage tell you about God's holiness?