

Sermon Notes

The Ten Commandments

- Why did God give them?
- Why should I obey them?
- How do I obey them?

Exodus 20:1-3 (ESV)

WHO is He? – He is Lord

WHO are They? – They are His

WHERE are They? – Out of Egypt.

WHEN are They? – Beyond Slavery.

The Ten Commandments aren't rules on how to get out of Egypt. They are instructions for a liberated people to remain free.

Salvation isn't our reward for obedience; salvation is our reason for obedience.

Ezekiel 36:24-27 (ESV) / Phil 2:12-13 (NLT) / Deut 6:5 (ESV) / Matt 6:33 (ESV)

Devotion to Christ is the place where the human heart is most satisfied.

Devotion Diagnosis

- Who's in charge?
- Who receives your highest praise?
- Where do you look for purpose and joy?
- Where do you look for wisdom?
- What gets your first and best energy?
- Who do you count on the most?
- Who do you thank?

Discussion Questions

- 1) What impacted you the most from this week's message? Encouraged you? Challenged you?
- 2) What is your current understanding of 'why' God gave the Ten Commandments? Do you think you need to obey them? Explain.
- 3) Read Ezekiel 36:24-27 and Philippians 2:12-13. Have you experienced God giving you the desire and the power to obey Him?
- 4) Do you believe that *Devotion to Christ is the place where the human heart is most satisfied*? What does this devotion look like for you?
- 5) How did you fare with the *Devotion Diagnosis*? What steps can you take this week to assure you are living with Jesus at the center of your life? Who can hold you accountable to these steps?