TEN COMMANDMENTS PART 3: DON'T USE THE LORD'S NAME IN VAIN

Pastor Luke Uran - June 21, 2020



SERMON NOTES AND SCRIPTURE

Exodus 20:7(NIV)

7 "You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not hold anyone guiltless who misuses his name.

John 8:48-59 (NIV)

48 The Jews answered him, "Are we not right in saying that you are a Samaritan and have a demon?" 49 Jesus answered, "I do not have a demon, but I honor my Father, and you dishonor me. 50 Yet I do not seek my own glory; there is One who seeks it, and he is the judge. 51 Truly, truly, I say to you, if anyone keeps my word, he will never see death." 52 The Jews said to him, "Now we know that you have a demon! Abraham died, as did the prophets, yet you say, 'If anyone keeps my word, he will never taste death.' 53 Are you greater than our father Abraham, who died? And the prophets died! Who do you make yourself out to be?" 54 Jesus answered, "If I glorify myself, my glory is nothing. It is my Father who glorifies me, of whom you say, 'He is our God.' 55 But you have not known him. I know him. If I were to say that I do not know him, I would be a liar like you, but I do know him and I keep his word. 56 Your father Abraham rejoiced that he would see my day. He saw it and was glad." 57 So the Jews said to him, "You are not yet fifty years old, and have you seen Abraham?" 58 Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I am." 59 So they picked up stones to throw at him, but Jesus hid himself and went out of the temple.

Are we guilty of breaking this commandment?

- 1. We may make our name famous rather than God's.
- 2. We may swear by God's name when the oath will not be fulfilled.
- 3. We may associate God's name with things it shouldn't be associated with.
- 4. We may speak on behalf of God when he hasn't spoken.
- 5. We use God's name lightly.
- 6. We don't worship in a way that honor's God's name.
- 7. We make up rules in God's name.

Two Questions:

- 1. How does my heart, my soul, and my mind praise the greatness of God?
- 2. What struggles do i have of using the Lord's name in vain?

GROUP DISCUSSION

Please read the Scripture together as a group.

Pastor Luke shared different Scriptures of how God's name shows His character. (Psalm 113:1-3, Isaiah 24, Ezekiel 39, Acts 2:21, Matthew 6) Can you think of any others to add?

How has God's name ministered to you?

Pastor Luke shared seven ways in which we misuse the name of God? Were you surprised it was more comprehensive than taking His name in vain?

Which one of those stood out more to you? Why?

How can we put this commandment into practice and make it more than behavior modification, but truly a heart change?

How can our group pray for you this week?