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### TEN COMMANDMENTS

How to Love God and Neighbor

Wednesdays | 7:15 pm May 28 through August 13 Pastor Kevin Timmons Elder Scott Sears



### What is the Greatest Commandment?

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.



# What commandments has God given to teach us how to Love God and Neighbor?

- 1. You shall have no other gods
- 2. You shall not make a carved image
- 3. You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain
- 4. Remember the Sabbath day
- 5. Honor your father and mother
- 6. You shall not murder
- 7. You shall not commit adultery
- 8. You shall not steal
- 9. You shall not bear false witness
- 10. You shall not covet



### Discussion

1. What does your name mean? Or why were you given your name?

2. If you have children, why did you give them their names?

3. What are some names of God in the bible and what do they mean?



### Last week...



## The 3rd Commandment:

# You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain

Names | Narrowly | Broadly



## The 3rd Commandment

### Names



### Names in the Bible

Daniel = God is my Judge

Abraham = Father of nations

Isaac = He will laugh

Abigail = Joy of my father

Sarah = Leader

John = Yahweh is gracious

Jesus = Yahweh saves



Naming exercises sovereignty Naming characterizes Naming locates



### God Has a Name

Exodus 3:13-14 | Then Moses said to God, "If I come to the people of Israel and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" God said to Moses, "I am who I am." And he said, "Say this to the people of Israel: 'Lam has sent me to you.'" God also said to Moses, "Say this to the people of Israel: 'The LORD, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you.' This is my name forever, and thus I am to be remembered throughout all generations."



יהוה YHWH Yahweh I am who I am I am what I am I will be who I will be I will be what I will be



### Other Names and Titles for God

Lord of Hosts

El Shaddai

Father in Heaven

### Names and Titles for Jesus

Christ

Immanuel

Son of Man



# The 3rd Commandment Narrowly



**Exodus 20:7** | You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain.



### Negative

Blasphemy
Misuse of God's name



To avoid misuse, should we just not use God's name at all?



### Positive - Use God's name correctly

Sincerity

Gravitas

Glorify God

Does good to yourself and others



### Discussion

1. What name or title for God have you found particularly meaningful in your Christian Life?

2. In what ways have you not treated the name of God with the reverence it deserves?

3. What would you do if a non-believing friend used God's name in vain around you?



# The 3rd Commandment Broadly



### God's Name Is On Us

**Numbers 6:27** | So shall they put **my name** upon the people of Israel, and I will bless them.

**Matthew 28:19** | Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them **in the name** of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Acts 11:26 | And in Antioch the disciples were first <u>called</u> Christians.



### All of Our Sin Takes the Lord's Name in Vain

**Romans 2:23-24** You who boast in the law dishonor God by breaking the law. For, as it is written, "The name of God is blasphemed among the Gentiles because of you."



# The Lord's Name Might Be Taken in Vain Even When We Do 'Good Things'

Matthew 7:21-23 | Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. On that day many will say to me, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many mighty works in your name?' And then will I declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from me, you workers of lawlessness.'



### Loving God through the 3rd Commandment

### **Action**

**Negative**: Do not misuse the name of the LORD

Positive: Use the name of the LORD properly

#### Allegiance:

God has put his name on us. We are his people and he is our God. We are loyal to his name.

#### Affection:

God has given us his name so we can call on him. God has come in the flesh and died for us.



Acts 17:22-23 | So Paul, standing in the midst of the Areopagus, said: "Men of Athens, I perceive that in every way you are very religious. For as I passed along and observed the objects of your worship, I found also an altar with this inscription: 'To the unknown god.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim



Matthew 14:22-33 | Immediately he made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side... When evening came, he was there alone, but the boat by this time was a long way from the land, beaten by the waves, for the wind was against them. And in the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, and said, "It is a ghost!" and they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, "Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid." And Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus. But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me." Jesus immediately reached out his hand and took hold of him, saying to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

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**John 8:57-58** | So the Jews said to him, "You are not yet fifty years old, and have you seen Abraham?" Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was, <u>I am</u>."



Philippians 2:10-11 | At the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father



### Assurance of Grace | Romans 10:9, 13

Because, if you confess with your mouth that <u>Jesus is Lord</u> and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For "everyone who calls on <u>the name of the Lord</u> will be saved."

