



Matthew 22:36-39

Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?" Jesus replied: "'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.

Psalm 119:1-4

Blessed are those whose ways are blameless, who walk according to the law of the Lord. Blessed are those who keep his statutes and seek him with all their heart—they do no wrong but follow his ways. You have laid down precepts that are to be fully obeyed.

Principles

- Principle— prince, first law, first rule.
- Darkness— in the Hebrew means ignorance.
- Knowledge— in the Hebrew means light.
- Satan rules by darkness and Jesus rules by the light.

Principles

- Manual— the mind of the manufacturer.
- "If we don't read and understand the manual, we will not benefit to its maximum."
- "The Bible is God's mind concerning life and it has a lot to say about relationships."

1. Seek restoration and reconciliation.

Matthew 5:23-24

Therefore, if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled to them; then come and offer your gift.

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- Forgive first
- Work towards reconciliation
- 2 Corinthians 5:18-19 All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting people's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation.

Rick Warren

"Emphasize reconciliation, not resolution. It is unrealistic to expect everyone to agree about everything. Reconciliation focuses on the relationship, while resolution focuses on the problem. When we focus on reconciliation, the problem loses significance and often becomes irrelevant."

2. Seek Forgiveness Quickly

Colossians 3:13

Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you.

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Matthew 19:3-4

Some Pharisees came to him to test him. They asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife for any and every reason?" Haven't you read, he replied, "that at the beginning the Creator made them male and female.

3. Live peaceably with one another.

Romans 12:18

If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone.

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Paul gives 2 conditions:

- If it's possible
- So far as it depends on you.

