

TEN COMMANDMENTS

Discussion Questions 2/19/23

No Other Gods

Family Check-up:

What is God teaching you in your quiet time?

Who have you had the privilege of reaching out to this week?

Intro: What does loving God look like? This week marked the first installment of our new series in the 10 commandments. Though these may seem like ancient laws, they are actually considered the 10 “words” of God and they are made in order to teach God’s covenant people how to love him and others the right way.

Read: Exodus 20:1-3

1. God told us that we are to have no other gods before him. Three points of worship in our society are sex, status, and stuff. How is it damaging to worship these things? To elevate them to a place of god in you life?
2. In Mark 12:29-31 Jesus sums up the commandments to loving God and loving others. How do you see this encapsulating all of the law? What’s difficult about fulfilling even these two commandments?
3. Read Romans 1. Multiple times Paul says, “God gave them over...” Paul recognized that people were worshipping things other than God and God was gracious and gave them those things. What happens when God gives you the different gods you wanted to worship?
4. The main idea of these commandments or “words” is covenant. Can you think of other covenants we have today? How do they help us understand what kind of relationship God wants with us?
5. We said the point of the 10 commandments is love. So if the point is to love, how does this lesson help us to be a better example of love to the community around us?

Pray: Often times there are many temptations to many different gods, but it often appears that it is most tempting to treat yourself as god. Pray for humility. Thanks God for his goodness and the fact that he is so willing to love us and to be a good God for us. Pray that we would learn to love him better.