

Living by Design: 10 Commandments

Week 2 // Command 1 & 2

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Ice Breaker: What conditions seem to bring out your best self? How about your worst self?

Key Scripture: Exodus 20:2-6

“² “I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery. ³ “You shall have no other gods before me. ⁴ “You shall not make for yourself an image in the form of anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the waters below. ⁵ You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the parents to the third and fourth generation of those who hate me, ⁶ but showing love to a thousand generations of those who love me and keep my commandments.”

Big Idea:

God designed us with a purpose, and He gave us the Ten Commandments as the foundation for living in right relationship with Him and with others. They are not rules to restrict us but a design for life that leads to freedom, blessing, and flourishing.

Exodus 20:2–3 – “I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. You shall have no other gods before Me.”

Key Thought: *We become what we worship.*

Digging Deeper:

- What stood out to you about God’s command for exclusive worship?
- How does understanding Egypt’s gods help you see why God’s command was so radical?
- Which of today’s “false gods” can subtly take God’s place in your life?
 - Money, career, possessions, politics, influence, reputation, family, relationships, leisure, entertainment, social media
- Jesus calls us not just to belief, but to **follow Him (Discipleship)**.
- What step can you take this week to put God first in your heart and choices?

Prayer

- Confess areas where other “gods” or idols have taken root.
- Ask God to re-center your heart on Him alone.
- Pray for courage to live as salt and light in a culture that accepts many “gods” but resists exclusivity.