

Springhill M.B. Church

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The Ten Commandments


Back to Basics: Introduction



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<i>Relationship with God</i>	<i>Relationship with others</i>
1. No gods before Me	5. Honor father and mother
2. No idols	6. Do not murder
3. Do not take My name in vain	7. Do not commit adultery
4. Keep Sabbath	8. Do not steal
	9. Do not give false holy testimony
	10. Do not covet



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Other Covenants	Law Covenant
1. God only Maker	1. Each generation/individual enters it with Him
2. Future in view	2. Present experience in view
3. Unconditional promise	3. Conditional with promises and warnings.



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III. The Law's Functions

- a. To reveal God's character..."
- b. To reveal individuals to themselves in contrast to the pure standards of God.
- c. To guide the believer's faith-response to God...
- d. To provide a basis on which God can discipline his people.



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Commandment 1



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Deuteronomy 5:6-10

6 I am the LORD thy God, which brought thee out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage.^a 7 Thou shalt have none other gods before me. 8 Thou shalt not make thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the waters beneath the earth: 9 Thou shalt not bow down thyself unto them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me

Deuteronomy 5:6

- “I am the Lord...” – self existent and sustaining
- “Your God...” – indicates a personal and intimate relationship with Israel
- “which brought you out...” – demonstrates his lordship and his right in making this request.

Deuteronomy 5:7

- “Thou shall have no other gods before me...”
 - makes the case that there are other gods but he should be held supreme.
 - Polytheism vs. Henotheism
 - Polytheism – multiple gods
 - Henotheism – the idea of one supreme God understood in different ways and representations

Deuteronomy 5:8

- “Thou shalt not make thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the waters beneath the earth:...”
 - Images they worshipped
 - Graven images – made of wood or metals
 - Beasts, birds, sea creatures, angelic beings, and half human-half animal creatures.

Egyptian gods Shamed

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| 1. River of Blood | 6. Boils |
| 2. Frogs | 7. Hail |
| 3. Lice | 8. Locusts |
| 4. Flies | 9. Darkness |
| 5. Cattle Disease | 10. Death of Firstborn |

Pagan Worship Practices

- Leviticus 17:7 - Goat Worship
- Leviticus 18:21 - Molech
- Stone Idols 26:1 - Stone Idols
- Leviticus 26:30 - High Places and Images

Deuteronomy 5:8

- Thou shalt not bow down thyself unto them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me,
 - They created gods that could be made by their imagination and manipulated by their hands.
 - They served these gods by cleaning and caring for them.
 - They cursed themselves and their children.



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Current gods

- Capitalism
- Careerism
- Classism
- Consumerism
- Emotionalism
- Hedonism
- Humanism
- Materialism
- Polytheism
- Narcissism



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Current gods

- Polytheism
- Racism
- Sexism



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