

Sermon Series: God Makes a Way

The Ten Commandments | Exodus 20:1-17

Ohana Group Discussion Questions: Week of October 25th, 2026

OVERVIEW

After delivering the Israelites from slavery in Egypt, God brings them to Mount Sinai and gives them the Ten Commandments. These commandments reveal God's holy character and establish how His redeemed people are to live in relationship with Him and with one another.

OHANA TIME!

 **Icebreaker:** What is one rule you had growing up that you didn't understand or appreciate until you became an adult? **Or** What is the strangest or funniest rule you've ever encountered?

PRAYER

Pray: *Thank God for redeeming us through Jesus Christ. Reveal areas of disobedience in our lives and to give us hearts that desire to love and honor You.*

BIBLE: READ EXODUS 20:1-17

1. Before giving the commandments, God reminds Israel that He brought them out of slavery in Egypt. Why do you think God begins this way?
2. How does knowing that God redeemed Israel *before* giving them the Law change the way we understand the purpose of the Ten Commandments?
3. The first four commandments focus on our relationship with God. What do these commandments reveal about God's character and what He desires from His people?
4. The final six commandments focus on our relationships with others. What do these commandments teach us about how God values human life, family, marriage, truth, and possessions?
5. Why do you think God includes coveting (an inward desire) alongside outward actions such as murder, adultery, and stealing? What does this reveal about the kind of obedience God desires?
6. In Matthew 22:37–40, Jesus summarizes God's commandments as loving God and loving our neighbors. How do the Ten Commandments reflect these two great commandments?

APPLICATION

1. Jesus teaches that obedience involves more than outward actions; God also cares about our hearts. Which of the Ten Commandments challenges you the most, including your thoughts and attitudes? How can we develop a heart that genuinely desires to obey God?
2. The Ten Commandments were intended to shape Israel into a people who reflected God's character to the surrounding nations. How should our obedience to God's commandments make us different from the world around us? What is one specific area of your life where God may be calling you to greater obedience this week?

