



The Ten Commandments and Grace Exodus 20

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Last week Pastor Kendal set up the Ten Commandments by stating that we can better understand and follow God's commandments if we can understand that God is Holy.

This week I would like for us to see that God is also loving and gave us the Ten Commandments to show us the need for a Savior.

Who: God, the Holy and Loving God

What: The Ten Commandments

Where: Mount Sinai

When: The Third Month after leaving Egypt

Why and How does this apply to me?

"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.' All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments." Matthew 22:37-40

"For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith - and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God - not by works, so that no one can boast." Ephesians 2:8-9

Sermon Notes

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Why did God give us the Ten Commandments?

1) To give the freed Israelites new rules to live in freedom.

The Bible Project: "The Ten Commandments were given as a design for human flourishing rather than a restrictive notebook."

2) To reflect God's Character

a. The first four commands focus on a right relationship with God while the latter six focus on loving and respecting their neighbors. Together they reflect God's own holiness and love. Jesus summarized the Ten Commandments by saying: To love the Lord our God with all our mind soul and strength and to love your neighbor as yourself.

3) The Law can't save you. Only Jesus can.

a. The Law points out our sin. It tells of sacrifices and how and who can do it. The high priest has to do a cleansing ceremony for themselves then make a sacrifice.
b. For all have sinned and fall short of the kingdom of God. (Romans 3:23)
c. For the wages of sin is death but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. (Romans 6:23)
d. Hebrews 6 are you maturing in your faith? Are you a twenty year old Christian or have you been a one-year-old for twenty years?



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