

INSTRUCTIONS INCLUDED

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The Ten Commandments

¹ Then God gave the people all these instructions:

² "I am the Lord your God, who rescued you from the land of Egypt, the place of your slavery. ³ "You must not have any other god but me. ⁴ "You must not make for yourself an idol of any kind or an image of anything in the heavens or on the earth or in the sea. ⁵ You must not bow down to them or worship them, for I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God who will not tolerate your affection for any other gods. I lay the sins of the parents upon their children; the entire family is affected - even children in the third and fourth generations of those who reject me. ⁶ But I lavish unfailing love for a thousand generations on those who love me and obey my commands. ⁷ "You must not misuse the name of the Lord your God. The Lord will not let you go unpunished if you misuse his name. ⁸ "Remember to observe the Sabbath day by keeping it holy. ⁹ You have six days each week for your ordinary work, ¹⁰ but the seventh day is a Sabbath day of rest dedicated to the Lord your God. On that day no one in your household may do any work. This includes you, your sons and daughters, your male and female servants, your livestock, and any foreigners living among you. ¹¹ For in six days the Lord made the heavens, the earth, the sea, and everything in them; but on the seventh day he rested. That is why the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and set it apart as holy. ¹² "Honor your father and mother. Then you will live a long, full life in the land the Lord your God is giving you. ¹³ "You must not murder. ¹⁴ "You must not commit adultery. ¹⁵ "You must not steal. ¹⁶ "You must not testify falsely against your neighbor. ¹⁷ "You must not covet your neighbor's house. You must not covet your neighbor's wife, male or female servant, ox or donkey, or anything else that belongs to your neighbor." **Exodus 20:1-17 NLT**

"The Ten Commandments properly understood, are the liberating laws of life." Dr. Adrian Rogers

The enemy's chief weapon is **deception**.

For you are the children of your father the devil, and you love to do the evil things he does. He was a murderer from the beginning. He has always hated the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he lies, it is consistent with his character; for he is a liar and the father of lies. **John 8:44 NLT**

The majority of Bible-believing evangelicals today, say there is no such thing as **absolute truth**.

Jesus did not come to abolish the law but to **fulfill it**.

Make them holy by your truth; teach them your word, which is truth. **John 17:17 NLT**

Moses preparing the people for the promised land

¹ These are the commands, decrees, and regulations that the Lord your God commanded me to teach you. You must obey them in the land you are about to enter and occupy, ² and you and your children and grandchildren must fear the Lord your God as long as you live. If you obey all his decrees and commands, you will enjoy a long life. ³ Listen closely, Israel, and be careful to obey. Then all will go well with you, and you will have many children in the land flowing with milk and honey, just as the Lord, the God of your ancestors, promised you. **Deuteronomy 6:1-3 NLT**

The Great Shema

- Shema is a Hebrew word that means hear or listen.
- God wants us to listen and obey.

⁴ "Listen, O Israel! The Lord is our God, the Lord alone. ⁵ And you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your strength. ⁶ And you must commit yourselves wholeheartedly to these commands that I am giving you today. ⁷ Repeat them again and again to your children. Talk about them when you are at home and when you are on the road, when you are going to bed and when you are getting up. ⁸ Tie them to your hands and wear them on your forehead as reminders. ⁹ Write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

Deuteronomy 6:4-9 NLT

- **The Great Revelation - One Lord**
- **The Great Response - One Love**
- **The primary setting for the teaching of the Ten Commandments is the home.**
- **Fatherlessness is the most harmful demographic of our generation.**

²⁹ Jesus replied, "The most important commandment is this: 'Listen, O Israel! The Lord our God is the one and only Lord. ³⁰ And you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, all your mind, and all your strength.' ³¹ The second is equally important: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' No other commandment is greater than these." **Mark 12:29-31 NLT**

⁸ "These people honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me. ⁹ Their worship is a farce, for they teach man-made ideas as commands from God." **Matthew 15:8-9 NLT**

Next Steps for me today...

- To listen and obey.
- To eliminate any idols in my life.
- To begin teaching my children **God's Word**.