

Exodus 20:3-17:

"You shall have no other gods before Me."

"You shall not make for yourself a carved image—any likeness of anything that *is* in heaven above, or that *is* in the earth beneath, or that *is* in the water under the earth; you shall not bow down to them nor serve them."

"You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold *him* guiltless who takes His name in vain."

"Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work, but the seventh day *is* the Sabbath of the LORD your God. In it you shall do no work."

"Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long upon the land which the LORD your God is giving you."

"You shall not murder."

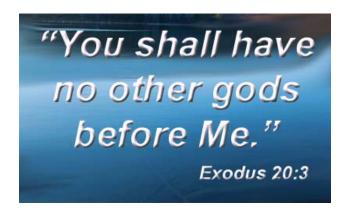
"You shall not commit adultery."

"You shall not steal."

"You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor."

"You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, nor his male servant, nor his female servant, nor his ox, nor his donkey, nor anything that *is* your neighbor's."

Clear enough?



Isaiah 44:6, "Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel, and his Redeemer, the LORD of hosts: 'I am the First and I am the Last; besides Me *there is* no God."

As such:

John 1:18, "No one has ever seen God, but the One and only Son, who is Himself God and is in closest relationship with the Father, has made Him known."

The reason Jesus said:

Mark 12:29, "The first of all the commandments *is:* 'Hear, O Israel, the LORD our God, the LORD is one."

John 17:3, "And this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent."

John 14:6, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me."

John 10:30, "The Father and I are one."

What's more?

Revelation 1:8, "I am the Alpha and the Omega, *the* Beginning and *the* End," says the Lord, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty."

Revelation 11:15, "The kingdoms of this world have become *the kingdoms* of our Lord and of His Christ, and He shall reign forever and ever!"

2John 1:9, "Whoever transgresses and does not abide in the doctrine of Christ does not have God. He who abides in the doctrine of Christ has both the Father and the Son."

Therefore:

Matthew 4:10, "You shall worship the LORD your God, and Him only you shall serve."

"You shall not make for yourself an idol, or any likeness of what is in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the water under the earth. You shall not worship them or serve them." Exodus 20:4-5

Why?

Isaiah 42:8, "I *am* the LORD, that *is* My name; and My glory I will not give to another, nor My praise to carved images."

Therefore:

Revelation 4:11, "You are worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honor and power; for You created all things, and by Your will they exist and were created."

The reason Jesus said:

John 4:23, "True worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him."

Then He added:

John 11:25, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live."

What's more?

Colossians 1:15-16, "He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him."

Colossians 1:18, "And He is the head of the body, the church, who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in all things He may have the preeminence."

As such and therefore:

Colossians 3:5, "Put to death your members which are on the earth: fornication, uncleanness, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry."

1 John 5:21, "Keep yourselves from idols."

"You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes His name in vain."

Exodus 20:7

Leviticus 19:12, "And you shall not swear by My name falsely, nor shall you profane the name of your God: I am the LORD."

As such Jesus said:

Matthew 5:34-35, "I say to you, do not swear at all: neither by heaven, for it is God's throne; nor by the earth, for it is His footstool; nor by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King."

Matthew 5:37, "But let your 'Yes' be 'Yes,' and your 'No,' 'No.' For whatever is more than these is from the evil one."

Matthew 12:36-37, "But I say to you that for every idle word men may speak, they will give account of it in the day of judgment. For by your words you will be justified, and by your words you will be condemned." The purpose being:

Philippians 2:15-16, "That you may become blameless and harmless, children of God without fault in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world, holding fast the word of life."

What's more?

Proverbs 18:21, "The tongue has the power of life and death, and those who love it will eat its fruit."

Therefore:

Ephesians 4:29, "Let no corrupt word proceed out of your mouth, but what is good for necessary edification, that it may impart grace to the hearers."

Colossians 3:2, "Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth."

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to keep it holy.
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do no work." Exodus 20:8-10

Why must we honor God on the Sabbath?

Genesis 2:2-3, "On the seventh day God ended His work which He had done, and He rested on the seventh day from all His work which He had done. Then God blessed the seventh day and sanctified it, because in it He rested from all His work which God had created and made."

What does this have to do with us?

Genesis 1:27, "God created man in His *own* image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them."

As such:

Leviticus 23:3: "Six days shall work be done, but the seventh day *is* a Sabbath of solemn rest, a holy convocation. You shall do no work *on it;* it *is* the Sabbath of the LORD in all your dwellings."

What did Jesus tell us about the Sabbath?

Mark 2:27-28, "The Sabbath was made for man, and not man for the Sabbath. Therefore the Son of Man is also Lord of the Sabbath."

As such:

Matthew 5:17, "Do not think that I came to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I did not come to abolish but to fulfill."

Therefore:

Hebrews 4:9-10, "There remains therefore a rest for the people of God. For he who has entered His rest has himself also ceased from his works as God *did* from His."

Psalm 91:1: "Those who live in the shelter of the Most High will find rest in the shadow of the Almighty."

"Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long upon the land which the LORD your God is giving you."

Exodus 20:12

How are we enjoined to honor our parents, and in the same way, God our heavenly Father?

Ephesians 6:1-3, "Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. Honor your father and mother, which is the first commandment with promise: that it may be well with you and you may live long on the earth."

Proverbs 1:8, "Hear, my son, your father's instruction and do not forsake your mother's teaching."

Why and in Jesus' own words:

Matthew 15:4, "For God commanded, saying, 'Honor your father and your mother."

As such:

Colossians 3:20, "Children, obey your parents in all things, for this is well pleasing to the Lord."

Furthermore:

Ephesians 6:4, "And you, fathers, do not provoke your children to wrath, but bring them up in the training and admonition of the Lord."

And if:

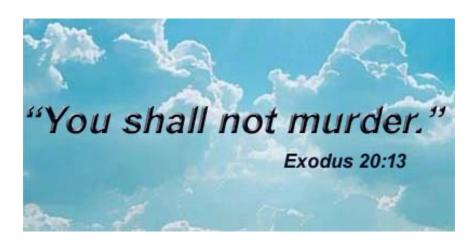
Hebrews 12:9, "We have had human fathers who corrected *us*, and we paid *them* respect. Shall we not much more readily be in subjection to the Father of spirits and live?"

Therefore:

1 John 3:1, "Behold what manner of love the Father has bestowed on us, that we should be called children of God!"

And as Jesus said:

John 12:26, "If anyone serves Me, let him follow Me; and where I am, there My servant will be also. If anyone serves Me, him *My* Father will honor."



What did Jesus say about murder?

Matthew 5:21-22, "You have heard that it was said to those of old, 'You shall not murder, and whoever murders will be in danger of the judgment.' But I say to you that whoever is angry with his brother without a cause shall be in danger of the judgment." Why?

1 John 3:15, "Whoever hates his brother is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life abiding in him."

What's more?

Genesis 1:27, "God created man in His *own* image; in the image of God He created him."

What about the murder of children under the disguise of abortion? Ecclesiastes 11:5, "As you do not know what *is* the way of the wind, or how the bones *grow* in the womb of her who is with child, so you do not know the works of God who makes everything."

And in the words of Jesus:

Matthew 18:14, "Even so it is not the will of your Father who is in heaven that one of these little ones should perish."

Why?

Psalm 139:13-14, "For You formed my inward parts; You covered me in my mother's womb. I will praise You, for I am fearfully *and* wonderfully made; marvelous are Your works, and *that* my soul knows very well."

Therefore:

Exodus 23:7, "Do not put an innocent or honest person to death, for I will not acquit the guilty."



As such:

Deuteronomy 5:21, "You shall not covet your neighbor's wife." To which Jesus added:

Matthew 5:27-28, "You have heard that it was said to those of old, 'You shall not commit adultery.' But I say to you that whoever looks at a woman to lust for her has already committed adultery with her in his heart."

What else did Jesus declare about adultery?

Matthew 5:32, "But I say to you that whoever divorces his wife for any reason except sexual immorality causes her to commit adultery; and whoever marries a woman who is divorced commits adultery."

What's more?

Leviticus 20:13, "If a man lies with a male as he lies with a woman, both of them have committed an abomination."

1 Corinthians 6:18, "Flee sexual immorality."

Why?

Hebrews 13:4, "Marriage is honorable among all, and the bed undefiled; but fornicators and adulterers God will judge."

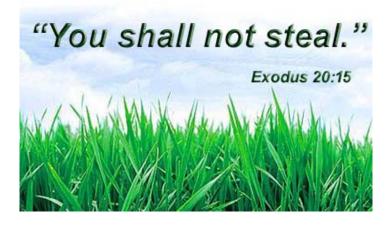
Ephesians 5:5, "For this you know, that no fornicator, unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, has any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and God."

As well:

1 Corinthians 5:11, "You must not associate with anyone who claims to be a brother or sister but is sexually immoral or greedy, an idolater or slanderer, a drunkard or swindler. Do not even eat with such people."

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Why are we enjoined to not steal?

Proverbs 11:1: "Dishonest scales *are* an abomination to the LORD, but a just weight *is* His delight."

1 Timothy 6:10, "The love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs."

2 Corinthians 5:10, "For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive the things *done* in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad."

As such Jesus said:

Matthew 6:24, "No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money."

What's more?

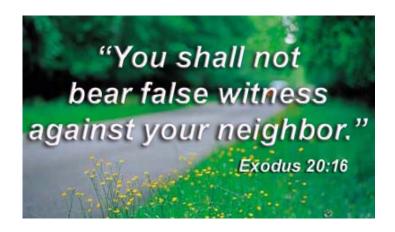
Hebrews 4:13, "There is no creature hidden from His sight, but all things *are* naked and open to the eyes of Him to whom we *must give* account."

Romans 14:12, "So then each of us shall give account of himself to God."

Therefore:

Romans 12:2, "Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what *is* that good and acceptable and perfect will of God."

Matthew 26:41, "Watch and pray, lest you enter into temptation. The spirit indeed *is* willing, but the flesh *is* weak."



On this, to the Scribes and Pharisees who rejected Him, Jesus said: John 8:44, "You are of *your* father the devil, and the desires of your father you want to do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own *resources*, for he is a liar and the father of it."

As such:

Proverbs 6:16, 19, "These six *things* the LORD hates, yes, seven *are* an abomination to Him:" "A false witness *who* speaks lies, and one who sows discord among brethren."

Proverbs 12:17, "He *who* speaks truth declares righteousness, but a false witness, deceit."

Therefore:

Colossians 3:9-10, "Do not lie to one another, since you have put off the old man with his deeds, and have put on the new *man* who is renewed in knowledge according to the image of Him who created him."

James 5:12, "Let your "Yes" be "Yes," and your "No," "No," lest you fall into judgment."

Why?

Romans 1:18: "For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who suppress the truth in unrighteousness."

What's more?

Luke 8:17, "For nothing is secret that will not be revealed, nor *anything* hidden that will not be known and come to light."

"You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, nor his male servant, nor his female servant, nor anything that is your neighbor's."

Exodus 20:17

As such Jesus said:

Matthew 6:19-21, "Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal; but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

Why?

1 Timothy 6:7-10, "For we brought nothing into *this* world, *and it is* certain we can carry nothing out. And having food and clothing, with these we shall be content. But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and *into* many foolish and harmful lusts which drown men in destruction and perdition. For the love of money is a root of all *kinds of* evil, for which some have strayed from the faith in their greediness, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows." Ephesians 5:5, "No covetous man, who is an idolater, has any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and God."

Therefore:

1 John 2:15, "Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him." Hebrews 13:5, "Let your conduct be without covetousness; be content with such things as you have. For He Himself has said, I will never leave you nor forsake you."

"You shall keep My commandments, and perform them: I am the LORD."

Leviticus 22:31

What did Jesus teach us about keeping the commandments? John 14:21: "He who has My commandments and keeps them, it is he who loves Me. And he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and manifest Myself to him."

John 15:10, "If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love, just as I have kept My Father's commandments and abide in His love." Matthew 19:17: "If you want to enter into life, keep the commandments."

What's more?

Matthew 5:17-18: "Do not think that I came to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I did not come to abolish but to fulfill. For truly I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not the smallest letter or stroke shall pass from the Law until all is accomplished."

Therefore:

1 John 2:3-6: "Now by this we know that we know Him, if we keep His commandments. He who says, "I know Him," and does not keep His commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him. But whoever keeps His word, truly the love of God is perfected in him. By this we know that we are in Him. He who says he abides in Him ought himself also to walk just as He walked."

Revelation 22:14: "Blessed *are* those who do His commandments, that they may have the right to the tree of life, and may enter through the gates into the city."

"What does the Lord your God require of you, but to fear the Lord your God, to walk in all His ways and to love Him, to serve the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul."

Deuteronomy 10:12

In the Words of Jesus:

Matthew 22:37-38, "You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is *the* first and great commandment."

Why?

Deuteronomy 7:9, "Know that the LORD your God, He is God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and mercy for a thousand generations with those who love Him and keep His commandments."

1 John 4:16, "And we have known and believed the love that God has for us. God is love, and he who abides in love abides in God, and God in him."

What's more?

Romans 5:8, "God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us."

The reason why as believers in Christ we must:

1 John 4:7-8, "Love one another, for love is of God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. He who does not love does not know God, for God is love."

Therefore:

Galatians 2:20, "I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the *life* which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me."

Colossians 3:14, "Put on love, which is the bond of perfection."

Furthermore:

Psalm 119:11, "Your Word I have hidden in my heart, that I might not sin against You."



In enjoining us to love God above all, how did Jesus command us to expand our love?

John 13:34-35, "A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; as I have loved you, that you also love one another. By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another."

What's more?

Matthew 5:44, "But I say to you, love your enemies, bless those who curse you, do good to those who hate you, and pray for those who spitefully use you and persecute you."

Matthew 7:12, "Do to others whatever you would like them to do to you."

In other words:

1 John 3:18, "Let us not love in word or in tongue, but in deed and in truth."

And as the apostle Paul said:

Galatians 6:2, "Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ."

Whv?

Matthew 5:13, "You are the salt of the earth; but if the salt loses its flavor, how shall it be seasoned? It is then good for nothing but to be thrown out and trampled underfoot by men."

1 Peter 4:8, "Above all things have fervent love for one another, for "love will cover a multitude of sins."

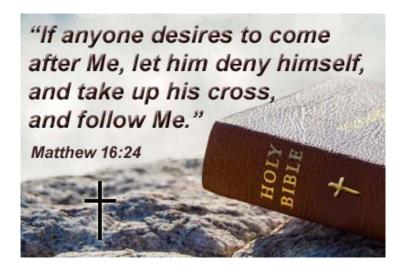
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If we confess Christ as Savior and therefore commit to follow Him as Lord, how must we live?

Titus 2:12-14, "We are instructed to turn from godless living and sinful pleasures. We should live in this evil world with wisdom, righteousness, and devotion to God, while we look forward with hope to that wonderful day when the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ, will be revealed. He gave his life to free us from every kind of sin, to cleanse us, and to make us his very own people, totally committed to doing good deeds."

In Jesus' own words:

Matthew 11:29-30, "Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For My yoke *is* easy and My burden is light."

Why?

Ephesians 2:10, "For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them."

What's more?

2 Corinthians 4:2, "We have renounced the hidden things of shame, not walking in craftiness nor handling the word of God deceitfully, but by manifestation of the truth commending ourselves to every man's conscience in the sight of God."

Therefore:

Romans 13:14, "Put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to *fulfill its* lusts."