The Ten Commandments (Part 1): The Laws Governing Man's Duty to God Exodus 20:01–11

1. The basis of the ten commandments

- a. God's existence: "And God"
- b. God's Word:
 "God spoke," (v. l)
- c. God's name: The LORD
- d. God's relationship with man: "Your God"
- e. God's salvation, deliverance
- 2. Commandment 1 concerns
 God's being:
 Have no other gods whatsoever
- 3. Commandment 2 concerns
 God's worship:
 Do not make, worship,
 or serve any idol whatsoever
 - a. The commandment forbids the making of any idols: Things in heaven, earth or water
 - b. The reasons
 - 1) God is a jealous God
 - 2) The influence and result of idolatry are passed down from fathers to children
 - 3)) The influence of loving and obeying God lasts for a thousand generations

1 And God spoke all these words:

- 2 "I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery.
- 3 You shall have no other gods before me.
- 4 You shall not make for yourself an image in the form of anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the waters below.
- 5 You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the parents to the third and fourth generation of those who hate me,
- 6 but showing love to a thousand generations of those who love me and keep my commandments.

4. Commandment 3 concerns God's name:

Do not misuse the Lord's name

- a. He is the LORD your God
- b. He will hold you accountable
- 5. Commandment 4 concerns God's day: Keep the Sabbath day holy
 - a. The commandment
 - 1) Work for six days
 - 2) Rest and worship on the seventh day
 - b. The reasons
 - Because the 7th day
 is the LORD's:
 No work whatsoever
 is to be done on the Sabbath,
 not by anyone
 - 2) Because the LORD created the universe in six days, and rested on the seventh day
 - 3) Because the LORD blessed the seventh day and made it holy

- 7 You shall not misuse the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not hold anyone guiltless who misuses his name.
- 8 Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.
- 9 Six days you shall labour, and do all your work,
- 10 but the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God.On it you shall not do any work, neither you, nor your son or daughter, nor your male or female servant, nor your animals, nor any foreigner residing in your towns,
- 11 For in six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them is, but rested on the seventh day.

 Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy,

The Ten Commandments (Part 2): The Laws Governing Man's Duty to Others Exodus 20:12-17

- 1. Commandment 5 concerns man's parents: Honour your father and mother
- 12 "Honour your father and your mother, so that you may live long in the land the LORD your God is giving you."
- a. Helps one to live longer
- b. Helps one to inherit the promised land
- 2. Commandment 6 concerns man's life
- 3. Commandment 7 concerns man's family: Forbids adultery
- 4. Commandment 8 concerns man's property
- 5. Commandment 9 concerns man's word: Forbids lying or speaking falsely against anyone
- 6. Commandment 10 concerns man's desires and security: Forbids coveting anything that belongs to your neighbour - his house, wife, servant, workers, animals, or anything else

- 13 You shall not murder.
- 14 You shall not commit adultery.
- 15 You shall not steal.
- 16 You shall not give false testimony against your neighbour.
- 17 You shall not covet your neighbour's house. You shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbour."