THE TEN COMMANDMENTS IN THE NEW TESTAMENT

Matthew 22:37-40:

- ³⁷ Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind.
- ³⁸ This is the first and great commandment.
- ³⁹ And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.
- ⁴⁰ On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

INTRODUCTION

Many Christians are confused in their mind about the Ten Commandments as being a part of the moral standard for believers during this Dispensation of Grace in which we live. We know that we are <u>not</u> under Law, but under Grace, according to:

Romans 6:14: For sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace.

John 1:17: For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ.

Galatians 3:13: Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree:

Galatians 3:23-25:

- ²³ But before faith came, we were kept under the law, shut up unto the faith which should afterwards be revealed.
- ²⁴ Wherefore the law was our schoolmaster to bring us unto Christ, that we might be justified by faith.
- ²⁵ But after that faith is come, we are no longer under a schoolmaster.

Galatians 5:4: Christ is become of no effect unto you, whosoever of

you are justified by the law; ye are fallen from grace.

Galatians 2:16: Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified by the faith of Christ, and not by the works of the law: for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified.

There are four divisions of Law in the Old Testament:

- Moral Law
- Ceremonial Law
- Civil Laws
- Health Laws

The Big question is: Does the New Testament teach that we are obligated to keep the Ten Commandments? *The direct answer* will be found in page 29 under "ARE CHRISTIANS STILL UNDER THE TEN COMMANDMENTS?

WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THE TEN COMMANDMENTS?

The protection of the people from false gods

Exodus 20:2-3:

- ²I am the Lord thy God, which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.
- ³ Thou shalt have no other gods before Me.
- The protection of the people from wrongly using God's name

Exodus 20:7: Thou shalt not take the Name of the LORD thy God in vain; for the LORD will not hold him guiltless that taketh His Name in vain.

The protection of the body in a necessary Sabbath rest

Exodus 20:8-11:

- 8 Remember the Sabbath Day, to keep it holy.
- ⁹ Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work:
- 10 But the seventh day is the Sabbath of the LORD thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates:
- 11 For in six days the LORD made heaven and



earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath Day, and hallowed it.

The protection of the parents from dishonor

Exodus 20:12: Honour thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.

The protection of human life

Exodus 20:13: Thou shalt not murder.

The protection of the marriage bond

Exodus 20:14: Thou shalt not commit adultery.

The protection of personal property

Exodus 20:15: Thou shalt not steal.

The protection of others reputation

Exodus 20:16: Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour.

The protection of homes and property from selfishness or covetousness

Exodus 20:17: Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is thy neighbour's.

Are there any of these Ten Commandments to be found in the New Testament?

1. Exodus 20:2-3: No other gods

Matthew 22:36-37:

³⁶ Master, which is the great Commandment in the law?

³⁷ Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind.

Acts 14:11-15:

¹¹ And when the people saw what Paul had done, they lifted up their voices, saying in the speech of Lycaonia, The gods are come down to us in

the likeness of men.

¹² And they called Barnabas, Jupiter; and Paul, Mercurius, because he was the chief speaker.

13 Then the priest of Jupiter, which was before their city, brought oxen and garlands unto the gates, and would have done sacrifice with the

people.

14 Which when the apostles, Barnabas and Paul, heard of, they rent their clothes, and ran in among the people, crying out,

¹⁵ And saying, Sirs, why do ye these things? We also are men of like passions with you, and preach unto you that ye should turn from these vanities unto the Living God, which made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and all things

that are therein:

Acts 19:26: Moreover ye see and hear, that not alone at Ephesus, but almost throughout all Asia, this Paul hath persuaded and turned away much people, saying that they be no gods, which are made with hands:

1 Corinthians 8:5-6:

⁵ For though there be that are called gods, whether in heaven or in earth, (as there be gods many, and lords many,)

⁶ But to us there is but one God, the Father, of Whom are all things, and we in Him; and one Lord Jesus Christ, by Whom are all things, and we by Him.

Galatians 4:8: Howbeit then, when ye knew not God, ye did service unto them which by nature are no gods.

1 Timothy 2:5: For there is one God, and one Mediator between God and men, the Man Christ Jesus;

2. Exodus 20:4: No graven Images

Acts 15:20: But that we write unto them, that they abstain from pollutions of idols, and from fornication, and from things strangled, and from blood.

Acts 17:29: Forasmuch then as we are the offspring of God, we ought <u>not</u> to think that the Godhead is like unto gold, or silver, or stone, graven by art and man's device.

Acts 21:25: As touching the Gentiles which believe, we have written and concluded that they observe no such thing, save only that they

keep themselves from things offered to idols, and from blood, and from strangled, and from fornication.

- 1 Corinthians 5:10-11:
- ¹⁰ Yet not altogether with the fornicators of this world, or with the covetous, or extortioners, or with idolaters; for then must ye needs go out of the world.
- ¹¹ But now I have written unto you not to keep company, if any man that is called a brother be a fornicator, or covetous, or an idolator, or a railer, or a drunkard, or an extortioner; with such an one no not to eat.
- 1 Corinthians 6:9: Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the Kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind,
- 1 Corinthians 10:7: Neither be ye idolaters, as were some of them; as it is written, The people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to play.
- 1 Corinthians 10:14: Wherefore, my dearly beloved, flee from idolatry
- 1 Corinthians 10:28: But if any man say unto you, this is offered in sacrifice unto idols, eat not for his sake that shewed it, and for conscience sake: for the earth is the Lord's, and the fullness thereof:
- 1 Corinthians 12:2: Ye know that ye were Gentiles, carried away unto these dumb idols, even as ye were led.

Galatians 5:20: Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies,

Ephesians 5:5: For this ye know, that no whoremonger, nor unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, hath any inheritance in the Kingdom of Christ and of God.

Colossians 3:5: Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth; fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness, which is idolatry:

- 1 Thessalonians 1:9: For they themselves shew of us what manner of entering in we had unto you, and how ye turned to God from idols to serve the Living and True God;
- 1 Peter 4:3: For the time past of our life may suffice us to have

wrought the will of the Gentiles, when we walked in lasciviousness, lusts, excess of wine, revellings, banquetings, and abominable idolatries:

1 John 5:21: Little children, keep yourselves from idols. Amen.

Revelation 2:14: But I have a few things against thee, because thou hast there them that hold the doctrine of Balaam, who taught Balac to cast a stumblingblock before the Children of Israel, to eat things sacrificed unto idols, and to commit fornication.



Revelation 2:20: Notwithstanding I have a few things against thee, because thou sufferest that woman Jezebel, which calleth herself a prophetess, to teach and to seduce my servants to commit fornication, and to eat things sacrificed unto idols.

Revelation 21:8: But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death.

Revelation 22:15: For without are dogs, and sorcerers, and whoremongers, and murderers, and idolaters, and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie.

3. Exodus 20:7: No dishonoring God

Matthew 12:36: But I say unto you, That every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the Day of Judgment.

Romans 2:24: For the Name of God is blasphemed among the Gentiles through you, as it is written.

1 Timothy 6:1: Let as many servants as are under the yoke count their own masters worthy of all honour, that the Name of God and His Doctrine be not blasphemed.

James 5:12: But above all things, my brethren, swear not, neither by heaven, neither by the earth, neither by any other oath: but let your yea be yea; and your nay, nay; lest ye fall into condemnation.

Revelation 13:6: And he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme His Name, and His Tabernacle, and them that dwell in Heaven.

4. Exodus 20:8-11: No disregarding of The Lord's Day

Acts 20:7: And upon the first day of the week, when the disciples came together to break bread, Paul preached unto them, ready to depart on the morrow; and continued his speech until midnight.

1 Corinthians 16:2: Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him, that there be no gatherings when I come.

5. Exodus 20:12: No dishonoring of parents

Matthew 15:4-6:

- ⁴ For God commanded, saying, Honour thy father and mother: and, He that curseth father or mother, let him die the death.
- ⁵ But ye say, Whosoever shall say to his father or his mother, It is a gift, by whatsoever thou mightest be profited by Me;
- ⁶ And honour not his father or his mother, he shall be free. Thus have ye made the Commandment of God of none effect by your tradition.

Mark 7:11-13:

- ¹¹ But ye say, If a man shall say to his father or mother, It is Corban, that is to say, a gift, by whatsoever thou mightest be profited by Me; he shall be free.
- 12 And ye suffer him no more to do ought for his father or his mother; 13 Making the Word of God of none effect through your tradition, which ye have delivered: and many such like things do ye.

Ephesians 6:1-3:

- ¹ Children, obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right.
- ² Honour thy father and mother; which is the first Commandment with Promise;
- ³ That it may be well with thee, and thou mayest live long on the earth.

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

6. Exodus 20:13: No Murdering

Matthew 5:21-22:

21 Ye have heard that it was said of them of old time, Thou shalt not kill; and whosoever shall kill shall be in danger of the judgment;

²² But I say unto you, That whosoever is angry with his brother without a cause shall be in danger of the judgment: and whosoever shall say to his brother, Raca, shall be in danger of the council: but whosoever shall say, Thou fool, shall be in danger of hell fire.

Matthew 19:18: He saith unto him, Which? Jesus said, Thou shalt do no murder, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness.

Mark 10:19: Thou knowest the commandments, Do not commit adultery, Do not kill, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Defraud not, Honour thy father and mother.

Luke 18:20: Thou knowest the Commandments, Do not commit adultery, Do not kill, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Honour thy father and thy mother.

Romans 13:9: For this, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not kill, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness, Thou shalt not covet; and if there be any other commandment, it is briefly comprehended in this saying, namely, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.

1 John 3:15: Whosoever hateth his brother is a murderer: and ye know that no murderer hath eternal life abiding in him.

James 2:11-12:

¹¹ For he that said, Do not commit adultery, said also, Do not kill. Now if thou commit no adultery, yet if thou kill, thou art become a transgressor of the Law.

¹² So speak ye, and so do, as they that shall be judged by the law of liberty.

7. Exodus 20:14: No adultery

Matthew 5:27-28:

²⁷ Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time, Thou shalt not commit adultery:

²⁸ But I say unto you, That whosoever looketh



on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart.

Matthew 19:18: He saith unto him, Which? Jesus said, Thou shalt do no murder, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness,

Luke 18:20: Thou knowest the Commandments, Do not commit adultery, Do not kill, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Honour thy father and thy mother.

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1 Corinthians 6:9: Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind.

1 Corinthians 6:18: Flee fornication. Every sin that a man doeth is without the body; but he that committeth fornication sinneth against his own body.

Hebrews 13:4: Marriage is honourable in all, and the bed undefiled: but whoremongers and adulterers God will judge.

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8. Exodus 20:15: No Stealing

Luke 18:20: Thou knowest the Commandments, Do not commit adultery, Do not kill, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Honour thy father and thy mother.

Romans 13:9: For this, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not kill, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness, Thou shalt not covet; and if there be



any other commandment, it is briefly comprehended in this saying, namely, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.

Ephesians 4:28: Let him that stole steal no more: but rather let him labour, working with his hands the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth.

Titus 2:10: Not purloining, but shewing all good fidelity; that they may adorn the Doctrine of God our Saviour in all things.

9. Exodus 20:16: No bearing of false witness

Matthew 5:33-34:

³³ Again, ye have heard that it hath been said by them of old time, Thou shalt not forswear thyself, but shalt perform unto the Lord thine oaths: ³⁴ But I say unto you, Swear not at all; neither by Heaven; for it is God's Throne:

Matthew 19:18: He saith unto him, Which? Jesus said, Thou shalt do no murder, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness,

Luke 18:20: Thou knowest the commandments, Do not commit adultery, Do not kill, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Honour thy father and thy mother.

Ephesians 4:29: Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers

Colossians 3:9: Lie not one to another, seeing that ye have put off the old man with his deeds;

Mark 10:19: Thou knowest the Commandments, Do not commit adultery, Do not kill, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Defraud not, Honour thy father and mother.

10. Exodus 20:17: No covetousness



Luke 12:15-21:

¹⁵ And He said unto them, Take heed, and beware of covetousness: for a man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth.

¹⁶ And He spake a Parable unto them, saying, The

ground of a certain rich man brought forth plentifully:

- ¹⁷ And he thought within himself, saying, What shall I do, because I have no room where to bestow my fruits?
- ¹⁸ And he said, This will I do: I will pull down my barns, and build greater; and there will I bestow all my fruits and my goods.
- ¹⁹ And I will say to my soul, Soul, thou hast much goods laid up for many years; take thine ease, eat, drink, and be merry.
- ²⁰ But God said unto him, Thou fool, this night thy soul shall be required of thee: then whose shall those things be, which thou hast provided?
- ²¹ So is he that layeth up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God.



Romans 13:9: For this, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not kill, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness, Thou shalt not covet; and if there be any other commandment, it is briefly comprehended in this saying, namely, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.

1 Corinthians 5:10: Yet not altogether with the fornicators of this world, or with the covetous, or extortioners, or with idolaters; for then must ye needs go out of the world.

Ephesians 5:3-5:

- ³ But fornication, and all uncleanness, or covetousness, let it not be once named among you, as becometh saints;
- ⁴ Neither filthiness, nor foolish talking, nor jesting, which are not convenient: but rather giving of thanks.
- ⁵ For this ye know, that no whoremonger, nor unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, hath any inheritance in the Kingdom of Christ and of God.

INDIRECT REFERENCES to the TEN COMMANDMENTS in the New Testament

1. Exodus 20:2-3: No other gods

Matthew 10:37: He that loveth father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me: and he that loveth son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me.

John 21:15: So when they had dined, Jesus saith to Simon Peter,

Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou Me more than these? He saith unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love Thee. He saith unto him, Feed My Lambs.

2. Exodus 20:7: No dishonoring God's Name

1 Corinthians 10:9: Neither let us tempt Christ, as some of them also tempted, and were destroyed of serpents.

3. Exodus 20:12: No dishonoring your parents



Matthew 15:4-6:

- ⁴ For God commanded, saying, Honour thy father and mother: and, He that curseth father or mother, let him die the death.
- ⁵ But ye say, Whosoever shall say to his father or his mother, It is a gift, by whatsoever thou mightest be profited by Me;
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Mark 7:11-13:

- ¹¹ But ye say, If a man shall say to his father or mother, It is Corban, that is to say, a gift, by whatsoever thou mightest be profited by Me; he shall be free.
- ¹² And ye suffer him no more to do ought for his father or his mother;
- ¹³ Making the Word of God of none effect through your tradition, which ye have delivered: and many such like things do ye.

4. Exodus 20:13: No killing or murdering

Matthew 5:21: Ye have heard that it was said of them of old time, Thou shalt not kill; and whosoever shall kill shall be in danger of the judgment:

Matthew 19:18: He saith unto him, Which? Jesus said, Thou shalt do no murder, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness,

Romans 1:29: Being filled with all unrighteousness, fornication, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, debate, deceit, malignity; whisperers,

James 2:11: For he that said, Do not commit adultery, said also, Do not kill. Now if thou commit no adultery, yet if thou kill, thou art become a transgressor of the law.

Revelation 13:10: He that leadeth into captivity shall go into captivity: he that killeth with the sword must be killed with the sword. Here is the patience and the faith of the saints.

5. Exodus 20:14: No adultery or fornication — the guilty party is to be put out of the church and out of the Kingdom of God.

1 Corinthians 6:9-10:

⁹ Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the Kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind, ¹⁰ Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the Kingdom of God.

Galatians 5:19-21:

- ¹⁹ Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness,
- ²⁰ Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies,
- ²¹ Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the Kingdom of God.

Matthew 5:27-28:

- ²⁷ Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time, Thou shalt not commit adultery:
- ²⁸ But I say unto you, That whosoever looketh on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart.

Matthew 5:32: But I say unto you, That whosoever shall put away his wife, saving for the cause of fornication, causeth her to commit adultery: and whosoever shall marry her that is divorced committeth adultery.

Matthew 15:19: For out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies:

Matthew 19:19: Honour thy father and thy mother: and, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.

Mark 7:21: For from within, out of the heart of men, proceed evil thoughts, adulteries, fornications, murders,

Mark 10:11-12:

- ¹¹ And He saith unto them, Whosoever shall put away his wife, and marry another, committeth adultery against her.
- ¹² And if a woman shall put away her husband, and be married to another, she committeth adultery.

John 8:3-4:

- ³ And the scribes and Pharisees brought unto him a woman taken in adultery; and when they had set her in the midst,
- ⁴ They say unto Him, Master, this woman was taken in adultery, in the very act.

John 8:11: She said, No man, Lord. And Jesus said unto her, Neither do I condemn thee: go, and sin no more.

Romans 2:22: Thou that sayest a man should not commit adultery, dost thou commit adultery? thou that abhorrest idols, dost thou commit sacrilege?

Romans 7:3: So then if, while her husband liveth, she be married to another man, she shall be called an adulteress: but if her husband be dead, she is free from that law; so that she is no adulteress, though she be married to another man.

Hebrews 13:4: Marriage is honourable in all, and the bed undefiled: but whoremongers and adulterers God will judge.

James 2:11: For he that said, Do not commit adultery, said also, Do not kill. Now if thou commit no adultery, yet if thou kill, thou art become a transgressor of the Law.



Revelation 2:22-25:

- ²² Behold, I will cast her into a bed, and them that commit adultery with her into great tribulation, except they repent of their deeds.
- ²³ And I will kill her children with death; and all the churches shall know that I am He Who searcheth the reins and hearts: and I will give unto every one of you according to your works.

²⁴ But unto you I say, and unto the rest in Thyatira, as many as have not this doctrine, and which have not known the depths of Satan, as they speak; I will put upon you none other burden.

²⁵ But that which ye have already hold fast till I come.

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1 Corinthians 5:10: Yet not altogether with the fornicators of this world, or with the covetous, or extortioners, or with idolaters; for then must ye needs go out of the world.

1 Corinthians 6:9: Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the Kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind.

1 Corinthians 10:8: Neither let us commit fornication, as some of them committed, and fell in one day three and twenty thousand.

6. Exodus 20:15: No Stealing

Matthew 19:18: He saith unto him, Which? Jesus said, Thou shalt do no murder, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness,

Mark 10:19: Thou knowest the Commandments, Do not commit adultery, Do not kill, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Defraud not, Honour thy father and mother.

Luke 18:20: Thou knowest the Commandments, Do not commit adultery, Do not kill, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Honour thy father and thy mother.

Luke 12:33: Sell that ye have, and give alms; provide yourselves bags which wax not old, a treasure in the heavens that faileth not, where no thief approacheth, neither moth corrupteth.

John 10:1: Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that entereth not by the door into the sheepfold, but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber.

Romans 2:21: Thou therefore which teachest another, teachest thou not thyself? thou that preachest a man should not steal, dost thou steal?

Romans 13:9: For this, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not kill, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness, Thou shalt not covet; and if there be any other commandment, it is briefly comprehended in this saying, namely, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.

Ephesians 4:28: Let him that stole steal no more: but rather let him labour, working with his hands the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth.

1 Peter 4:15: But let none of you suffer as a murderer, or as a thief, or as an evildoer, or as a busybody in other men's matters.

7. Exodus 20:16: No False witness or lying

Matthew 15:9: But in vain they do worship Me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men.



Matthew 19:18: He saith unto him, Which?

Jesus said, Thou shalt do no murder, Thou shalt not commit adultery,
Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness,

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Acts 5:3-4:

³ But Peter said, Ananias, why hath satan filled thine heart to lie to the Holy Spirit, and to keep back part of the price of the land?

⁴ Whiles it remained, was it not thine own? and after it was sold, was it not in thine own power? why hast thou conceived this thing in thine

heart? thou hast not lied unto men, but unto God.

Ephesians 4:25: Wherefore putting away lying, speak every man truth with his neighbour: for we are members one of another.

Colossians 3:9: Lie not one to another, seeing that ye have put off the old man with his deeds;

1 Timothy 4:2: Speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron;

Revelation 21:27: And there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb's Book of Life.

Revelation 22:15: For without are dogs, and sorcerers, and whoremongers, and murderers, and idolaters, and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie.

REFERENCES WHICH SHOW THAT "THE LAW" DOES <u>NOT</u> HAVE ANY REFERENCE TO COMMANDMENTS

1. John 10:34: Jesus answered them, "Is it not written in your law, I said, 'Ye are gods'?"

These words which were spoken by Jesus are found in the following Old Testament scripture:

Psalms 82:6: I have said, "Ye are gods; and all of you are children of the Most High."

2. John 12:34: The people answered Him, We have heard out of the law that Christ abideth for ever: and how sayest Thou, The Son of Man must be lifted up? who is this Son of Man?

These words which were spoken by Jesus are found in the following Old Testament scriptures:

Psalms 89:4: Thy seed will I establish for ever, and build up thy throne to all generations. Selah.

Psalms 89:29: His seed also will I make to endure for ever, and his throne as the days of Heaven.

Psalms 110:4: The LORD hath sworn, and will not repent, Thou art a Priest for ever after the order of Melchizedek.

Isaiah 9:6: For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given: and

the Government shall be upon His shoulder: and His Name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

Ezekiel 37:25: And they shall dwell in the land that I have given unto Jacob My servant, wherein your fathers have dwelt; and they shall dwell therein, even they, and



their children, and their children's children for ever: and My servant David shall be their prince for ever.

Daniel 7:14: And there was given Him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve Him: His dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and His Kingdom that which shall not be destroyed.

3. John 15:25: But this cometh to pass, that the Word might be fulfilled that is written in their Law, They hated Me without a cause.

These words which were spoken by Jesus are found in the following Old Testament scriptures:

Psalms 35:19: Let not them that are Mine enemies wrongfully rejoice over me: neither let them wink with the eye that hate Me without a cause.

Psalms 69:4: They that hate Me without a cause are more than the hairs of Mine head: they that would destroy Me, being Mine enemies wrongfully, are mighty: then I restored that which I took not away. Psalms 119:78: Let the proud be ashamed; for they dealt perversely with me without a cause: but I will meditate in Thy Precepts.

4. 1 Corinthians 14:21: In the Law it is written, In other tongues and with other lips I will speak unto this people; and yet for all that, they will not hear Me, saith the Lord.

This which was quoted by Paul is from the following Old Testament Scriptures:

Isaiah 28:11-12:

¹¹ For with stammering lips and another tongue will He speak to this people.

- ¹² To whom He said, This is the rest wherewith ye may cause the weary to rest; and this is the refreshing: yet they would not hear.
- 5. Galatians 4:21-22:
 - ²¹ Tell me, ye that desire to be under the law, do ye not hear the law?
 ²² For it is written, that Abraham had two sons, the one by a bondmaid, the other by a freewoman.

The law is mentioned here but has no reference to Ten Commandments.

- 6. Luke 2:23-24:
 - ²³ (As it is written in the law of the LORD, Every male that openeth the womb shall be called holy to the Lord;)
 - ²⁴ And to offer a sacrifice according to that which is said in the law of the Lord, A pair of turtledoves, or two young pigeons.

This is quoted from:

- Exodus 13:2: Sanctify unto Me all the firstborn, whatsoever openeth the womb among the Children of Israel, both of man and of beast: it is Mine.
- 7. Luke 24:44: And He said unto them, These are the Words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the Law of Moses, and in the Prophets, and in the Psalms, concerning Me.

This which was quoted by Jesus in found in the following Old Testament scriptures:

Genesis 3:15: And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her Seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise His Heel.

Genesis 49:10: The sceptre shall not depart from Judah, nor a lawgiver from between His feet, until Shiloh come; and unto him shall the gathering of the people be.

Numbers 24:17: I shall see Him, but not now: I shall behold Him, but not nigh: there shall come a Star out of Jacob, and a Sceptre shall rise out of Israel, and shall smite the corners of Moab, and destroy all the children of Sheth.

Deuteronomy 19:15-18:

¹⁵ One witness shall not rise up against a man for any iniquity, or for

any sin, in any sin that he sinneth: at the mouth of two witnesses, or at the mouth of three witnesses, shall the matter be established.

- ¹⁶ If a false witness rise up against any man to testify against him that which is wrong;
- ¹⁷ Then both the men, between whom the controversy is, shall stand before the LORD, before the Priests and the Judges, which shall be in those days;
- ¹⁸ And the judges shall make diligent inquisition: and, behold, if the witness be a false witness, and hath testified falsely against his brother;
- 8. John 8:17: It is also written in your Law, that the testimony of two men is true.

This which was quoted by Jesus in found in the following Old Testament scriptures:

Deuteronomy 17:6: At the mouth of two witnesses, or three witnesses, shall he that is worthy of death be put to death; but at the mouth of one witness he shall not be put to death.

Deuteronomy 19:15: One witness shall not rise up against a man for any iniquity, or for any sin, in any sin that he sinneth: at the mouth of two witnesses, or at the mouth of three witnesses, shall the matter be established.

9. Luke 2:39: And when they had performed all things according to the Law of the Lord, they returned into Galilee, to their own city Nazareth.

This is quoted from the book of Leviticus:

Leviticus 12:2-8:

- ² Speak unto the Children of Israel, saying, If a woman have conceived seed, and born a man child: then she shall be unclean seven days; according to the days of the separation for her infirmity shall she be unclean.
- ³ And in the eighth day the flesh of his foreskin shall be circumcised.
- ⁴ And she shall then continue in the blood of her purifying three and thirty days; she shall touch no hallowed thing, nor come into the sanctuary, until the days of her purifying be fulfilled.
- ⁵ But if she bear a maid child, then she shall be unclean two weeks, as in her separation: and she shall continue in the blood of her purifying threescore and six days.
- ⁶ And when the days of her purifying are fulfilled, for a son, or for a

daughter, she shall bring a lamb of the first year for a burnt offering, and a young pigeon, or a turtledove, for a sin offering, unto the door of the Tabernacle of the congregation, unto the priest:

- ⁷ Who shall offer it before the LORD, and make an atonement for her; and she shall be cleansed from the issue of her blood. This is the law for her that hath born a male or a female.
- ⁸ And if she be not able to bring a lamb, then she shall bring two turtles, or two young pigeons; the one for the burnt offering, and the other for a sin offering: and the priest shall make an atonement for her, and she shall be clean.
- 10. Galatians 4:10: Ye observe days, and months, and times, and years.

This doesn't refer to the Ten Commandments, but to the Ceremonial Law:

- 11. Galatians 5:2: Behold, I Paul say unto you, that if ye be circumcised, Christ shall profit you nothing.
 - Galatians 5:6: For in Jesus Christ neither circumcision availeth any thing, nor uncircumcision; but faith which worketh by love.

Galatians 5:11: And I, brethren, if I yet preach circumcision, why do I yet suffer persecution? then is the offence of the cross ceased.

This has reference to The Law of Circumcision in the following scriptures:

Genesis 17:9-14:

- ⁹ And God said unto Abraham, Thou shalt keep My Covenant therefore, thou, and thy seed after thee in their generations.
- ¹⁰ This is My Covenant, which ye shall keep, between Me and you and thy seed after thee; Every man child among you shall be circumcised.
- ¹¹ And ye shall circumcise the flesh of your foreskin; and it shall be a token of the Covenant betwixt Me and you.
- ¹² And he that is eight days old shall be circumcised among you, every man child in your generations, he that is born in the house, or bought with money of any stranger, which is not of thy seed.
- 13 He that is born in thy house, and he that is bought with thy money, must needs be circumcised: and my covenant shall be in your flesh for an everlasting covenant.
- ¹⁴ And the uncircumcised man child whose flesh of his foreskin is not circumcised, that soul shall be cut off from his people; he hath broken My Covenant.

Genesis 21:4: And Abraham circumcised his son Isaac being eight days old, as God had commanded him.

Exodus 4:26: So he let him go: then she said, A bloody husband thou art, because of the circumcision.

Exodus 12:44: But every man's servant that is bought for money, when thou hast circumcised him, then shall he eat thereof.

Exodus 12:48: And when a stranger shall sojourn with thee, and will keep the Passover to the LORD, let all his males be circumcised, and then let him come near and keep it; and he shall be as one that is born in the land: for no uncircumcised person shall eat thereof.

Joshua 5:3-7:

- ³ And Joshua made him sharp knives, and circumcised the Children of Israel at the hill of the foreskins.
- ⁴ And this is the cause why Joshua did circumcise: All the people that came out of Egypt, that were males, even all the men of war, died in the wilderness by the way, after they came out of Egypt.
- ⁵ Now all the people that came out were circumcised: but all the people that were born in the wilderness by the way as they came forth out of Egypt, them they had not circumcised.
- ⁶ For the Children of Israel walked forty years in the wilderness, till all the people that were men of war, which came out of Egypt, were consumed, because they obeyed not the voice of the LORD: unto whom the LORD sware that He would not shew them the land, which the LORD sware unto their fathers that He would give us, a land that floweth with milk and honey.
- ⁷ And their children, whom He raised up in their stead, them Joshua circumcised: for they were uncircumcised, because they had not circumcised them by the way.

Acts 15:1-5:

- ¹ And certain men which came down from Judaea taught the brethren, and said, Except ye be circumcised after the manner of Moses, ye cannot be saved.
- ² When therefore Paul and Barnabas had no small dissension and disputation with them, they determined that Paul and Barnabas, and certain other of them, should go up to Jerusalem unto the apostles and elders about this question.
- ³ And being brought on their way by the church, they passed through Phenice and Samaria, declaring the conversion of the Gentiles: and they caused great joy unto all the brethren.
- ⁴ And when they were come to Jerusalem, they were received of the church, and of the apostles and elders, and they declared all things that God had done with them.

⁵ But there rose up certain of the sect of the Pharisees which believed, saying, That it was needful to circumcise them, and to command them to keep the Law of Moses.

Acts 15:25: It seemed good unto us, being assembled with one accord, to send chosen men unto you with our beloved Barnabas and Paul.

12. 2 Chronicles 35:26: Now the rest of the acts of Josiah, and his goodness, according to that which was written in the Law of the LORD,

This has reference to **2 Kings 23:28** which deals exclusively with the Chronicles record of the king. Yet it is called "The Law of The Lord".

2 Kings 23:28: Now the rest of the acts of Josiah, and all that he did, are they not written in the Book of the Chronicles of the kings of Judah?

FACTS CONCERNING THE TEN COMMANDMENTS.

They are recognized worldwide, and especially in the western world as the best code for public moral conduct in existence.

They are unique and without any rivals or any real parallel. They are:

- so unique in their teaching that it is impossible to separate morality from religion
- Unique in both their comprehensiveness and conciseness
- unique in the awe-inspiring way in which they are delivered
- unique in making our duties to our fellowman on a par with our duties to God

How does God identify the Ten Commandments? He calls them "The Covenant or Ten Commandments" in:



Exodus 34:28: And he was there with the LORD forty days and forty nights; he did neither eat bread, nor drink water. And He wrote upon the tables the words of the Covenant, the Ten Commandments.

Deuteronomy 4:13: And He declared unto you His

Covenant, which He commanded you to perform, even Ten Commandments; and He wrote them upon two tables of stone.

Deuteronomy 10:4: And He wrote on the tables, according to the first writing, the Ten Commandments, which the LORD spake unto you in the Mount out of the midst of the fire in the day of the assembly: and the LORD gave them unto me.

Bible Scholars call them "The Decalogue" from the Greek word *deka* meaning "Ten" and logos meaning "word". This was first discovered in the writings of Clement of Alexandria in 160-210 A.D. and commonly used by the church fathers ever since. God also calls it "The Two Tables of Testimony".

Exodus 31:18: And He gave unto Moses, when He had made an end of communing with him upon Mount Sinai, two Tables of Testimony, tables of stone, written with the Finger of God.

Exodus 25:16: And thou shalt put into the Ark the Testimony which I shall give thee.



There are 163 Words to be found in the Ten Commandments.

Only the Ten Commandments were placed in the Ark of the Covenant.

Exodus 40:20: And he took and put the Testimony into the Ark, and set the staves on the Ark, and put the Mercy Seat above upon the Ark:

Deuteronomy 31:26: Take this Book of the Law, and put it in the side of the Ark of the Covenant of the LORD your God, that it may be there for a witness against thee.

The two GREATEST COMMANDMENTS are not even included among these Ten Commandments.

Deuteronomy 6:5: And thou shalt love the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might.

Leviticus 19:18: Thou shalt not avenge, nor bear any grudge against the children of thy people, but thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself: I am the LORD.

Matthew 22:37-40:

³⁷ Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy

heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind.

- ³⁸ This is the first and great commandment.
- ³⁹ And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.
- ⁴⁰ On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

Mark 12:28-31:

- ²⁸ And one of the scribes came, and having heard them reasoning together, and perceiving that He had answered them well, asked Him, Which is the First Commandment of all?
- ²⁹ And Jesus answered him, The first of all the Commandments is, Hear, O Israel; The Lord our God is one Lord:
- ³⁰ And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength: this is the First Commandment.
- ³¹ And the second is like, namely this, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. There is none other Commandment greater than these.

These Ten Commandments are written with the very Finger of God.

Exodus 24:12: And the LORD said unto Moses, Come up to Me into the Mount, and be there: and I will give thee Tables of Stone, and a Law, and Commandments which I have written; that thou mayest teach them.

Exodus 32:15-16:

- ¹⁵ And Moses turned, and went down from the Mount, and the two Tables of the Testimony were in his hand: the tables were written on both their sides; on the one side and on the other were they written.
- ¹⁶ And the tables were the work of God, and the writing was the writing of God, graven upon the tables.



Exodus 34:1: And the LORD said unto Moses, Hew thee two tables of stone like unto the first: and I will write upon these tables the words that were in the first tables, which thou brakest.

Deuteronomy 9:10: And the LORD delivered unto me two tables of stone written with the Finger of God; and on them was written according to all the words, which the LORD spake with you in the

Mount out of the midst of the fire in the day of the assembly.

Deuteronomy 10:2: And I will write on the tables the words that were in the first tables which thou brakest, and thou shalt put them in the Ark.

Deuteronomy 5:22: These words the LORD spake unto all your assembly in the Mount out of the midst of the fire, of the cloud, and of the thick darkness, with a great Voice: and He added no more. And He wrote them in two tables of stone, and delivered them unto me.

2 Kings 17:37: And the Statutes, and the Ordinances, and the Law, and the Commandment, which He wrote for you, ye shall observe to do for evermore; and ye shall not fear other gods.

In the recap (recapitulation) of these laws given in Deuteronomy 5:1-22, there are several additional details mentioned in the review which were not previously made known.

The 4th Commandment concerning the Sabbath is different in that the Sabbath is to be KEPT instead of REMEMBERED.



Deuteronomy 5:12: Keep the Sabbath day to sanctify it, as the LORD thy God hath Commanded thee.

Sabbath to be observed in memory of Israel's deliverance from Egypt rather than because Jehovah rested on the 7th day.

Deuteronomy 5:13-14:

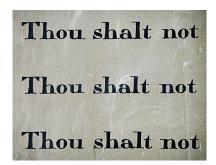
- 13 Six days thou shalt labour, and do all thy work:
- 14 But the seventh day is the Sabbath of the LORD thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, nor thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thine ox, nor thine ass, nor any of thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates; that thy manservant and thy maidservant may rest as well as thou.

The 5th Commandment "that it may go well with thee" is added. Also, "as the Lord thy God commanded thee" is added.

Deuteronomy 5:16: Honour thy father and thy mother, as the LORD thy God hath commanded thee; that thy days may be prolonged, and that it may go well with thee, in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.

<u>In the last four Commandments</u> each are introduced by "and" sometimes translated "neither".

Deuteronomy 5:18-21:



- ¹⁸ Neither shalt thou commit adultery.
- ¹⁹ Neither shalt thou steal.
- ²⁰ Neither shalt thou bear false witness against thy neighbour.
- ²¹ Neither shalt thou desire thy neighbour's wife, neither shalt thou covet thy neighbour's house, his field, or his manservant, or his maidservant, his ox, or his ass, or any thing that is thy neighbour's.

The 10th Commandment - Covetousness - in Deuteronomy 5:21 and Exodus 20:17 where the order is reversed of wife and house, and field is added and "desire" is used as a synonym for covet in the repeat of the word.

Deuteronomy 5:21: Neither shalt thou desire thy neighbour's wife, neither shalt thou covet thy neighbour's house, his field, or his manservant, or his maidservant, his ox, or his ass, or any thing that is thy neighbour's

Exodus 20:17: Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is thy neighbour's.

Here in Deuteronomy many of the Statutes and Ordinances are enlarged upon, and paraphrased in other places, e.g. the laws about the Hebrew slave in Exodus and Deuteronomy.

Exodus 21:1-6:

- ¹ Now these are the Judgments which thou shalt set before them.
- ² If thou buy an Hebrew servant, six years he shall serve: and in the seventh he shall go out free for nothing.
- ³ If he came in by himself, he shall go out by himself: if he were married, then his wife shall go out with him.
- ⁴ If his master have given him a wife, and she have born him sons or

daughters; the wife and her children shall be her master's, and he shall go out by himself.

- ⁵ And if the servant shall plainly say, I love my master, my wife, and my children; I will not go out free:
- ⁶ Then his master shall bring him unto the judges; he shall also bring him to the door, or unto the door post; and his master shall bore his ear through with an aul; and he shall serve him for ever.

Deuteronomy 15:12-18:

- ¹² And if thy brother, an Hebrew man, or an Hebrew woman, be sold unto thee, and serve thee six years; then in the seventh year thou shalt let him go free from thee.
- ¹³ And when thou sendest him out free from thee, thou shalt not let him go away empty:
- ¹⁴ Thou shalt furnish him liberally out of thy flock, and out of thy floor, and out of thy winepress: of that wherewith the LORD thy God hath blessed thee thou shalt give unto him.



- ¹⁵ And thou shalt remember that thou wast a bondman in the land of Egypt, and the LORD thy God redeemed thee: therefore I command thee this thing to day.
- ¹⁶ And it shall be, if he say unto thee, I will not go away from thee; because he loveth thee and thine house, because he is well with thee;
- ¹⁷ Then thou shalt take an aul, and thrust it through his ear unto the door, and he shall be thy servant for ever. And also unto thy maidservant thou shalt do likewise.

¹⁸ It shall not seem hard unto thee, when thou sendest him away free from thee; for he hath been worth a double hired servant to thee, in serving thee six years: and the LORD thy God shall bless thee in all that thou doest.

Then the Feast of Weeks in Exodus and Deuteronomy - There is no conflict of truth between these two books, only an enlargement was deemed necessary by God.

Exodus 23:16: And the Feast of Harvest, the firstfruits of thy labours, which thou hast sown in the field: and the Feast of Ingathering, which is in the end of the year, when thou hast gathered in thy labours out of the field.

Deuteronomy 16:9-12:

- ⁹ Seven weeks shalt thou number unto thee: begin to number the seven weeks from such time as thou beginnest to put the sickle to the corn.
- ¹⁰ And thou shalt keep the Feast of Weeks unto the LORD thy God with a tribute of a Freewill Offering of thine hand, which thou shalt give unto the LORD thy God, according as the LORD thy God hath blessed thee:
- 11 And thou shalt rejoice before the LORD thy God, thou, and thy son, and thy daughter, and thy manservant, and thy maidservant, and the Levite that is within thy gates, and the stranger, and the fatherless, and the widow, that are among you, in the place which the LORD thy God hath chosen to place His Name there.
- ¹² And thou shalt remember that thou wast a bondman in Egypt: and thou shalt observe and do these Statutes.

QUESTION: ARE CHRISTIANS STILL UNDER THE TEN COMMANDMENTS?

ANSWER: While we are no longer 'under the law', that does not mean that we no longer have to obey God's Commandments. What it does mean is that we realize it is not the keeping of the Law — which no man has ever been able to do completely — that saves us, but it is the Blood of Jesus that saves us. Once we have accepted Him into our heart as our personal Lord and Savior, we will be led by His Holy Spirit, and we will want to obey His commands because we love Him.

Galatians 5:18: But if ye be led of the Spirit, ye are not under the Law.

TO THE CHRISTIAN, God's Law is HOLY and RIGHTEOUS and GOOD through Faith.

Romans 7:12-13:

- ¹² Wherefore the Law is Holy, and the Commandment Holy, and just, and good.
- 13 Was then that which is good made death unto me? God forbid. But sin, that it might appear sin, working death in me by that which is good; that sin by the Commandment might become exceeding sinful.

We do not nullify the Law through Faith, but rather establish it.

Romans 3:21: But now the Righteousness of God without the Law is manifested, being witnessed by the Law and the Prophets;

Christ came not to destroy the Law, but rather to fulfill it.

Matthew 5:17: Think not that I am come to destroy the Law, or the Prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfill the Law.

He is our example, that we should follow in His steps.

1 Peter 2:21: For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow His steps:

That the righteousness of the Law might be fulfilled in us who walk not after the flesh but after the spirit.

Romans 8:4: That the Righteousness of the Law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.

We delight in The Law of God in our inward man.

Romans 7:22: For I delight in the Law of God after the inward man.

We can declare with the psalmist David:

Psalm 119:97: O how love I Thy Law! it is my meditation all the day.

Nine of the Ten Commandments are repeated throughout the New Testament. Then, the converse is also true: We are not under The Law but under Grace.

Romans 6:14-15:

¹⁴ For sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the Law, but under Grace.

¹⁵ What then? shall we sin, because we are not under the Law, but under Grace? God forbid.

In **Jeremiah 31**, there is the prophecy that God would make a New Covenant with the house of Israel, not like the Covenant He made with them when He brought them out of Egypt.

Jeremiah 31:31-32:

31 Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will make a New Covenant with the House of Israel, and with the House of Judah:
32 Not according to the Covenant that I made with their fathers in the day that I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt; which My Covenant they brake, although I was an husband unto them, saith the LORD:

Exodus 19:5: Now therefore, if ye will obey My Voice indeed, and keep My Covenant, then ye shall be a Peculiar Treasure unto Me above all people: for all the earth is Mine:

Exodus 34:28: And he was there with the LORD forty days and forty nights; he did neither eat bread, nor drink water. And He wrote upon the tables the words of the Covenant, the Ten Commandments.

Deuteronomy 9:9: When I was gone up into the Mount to receive the tables of stone, even the tables of the Covenant which the LORD made with you, then I abode in the Mount forty days and forty nights, I neither did eat bread nor drink water

In Hebrews, we are provided a <u>BETTER</u> COVENANT of which Paul speaks in Corinthians as he is the minister of a New Covenant which is not written on stones — which has reference to the Ten Commandments.

Hebrews 8:6-13:

- ⁶ But now hath He obtained a more excellent Ministry, by how much also He is the Mediator of a Better Covenant, which was established upon better Promises.
- ⁷ For if that first Covenant had been faultless, then should no place have been sought for the second.
- ⁸ For finding fault with them, He saith, Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, when I will make a New Covenant with the House of Israel and with the House of Judah:
- ⁹ Not according to the Covenant that I made with their fathers in the day when I took them by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt; because they continued not in My Covenant, and I regarded them not, saith the Lord.
- ¹⁰ For this is the Covenant that I will make with the House of Israel after those days, saith the Lord; I will put My Laws into their mind, and write them in their hearts: and I will be to them a God, and they shall be to Me a people:
- ¹¹ And they shall not teach every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, Know the Lord: for all shall know Me, from the least to the greatest.
- ¹² For I will be merciful to their unrighteousness, and their sins and their iniquities will I remember no more.
- ¹³ In that He saith, A New Covenant, He hath made the first old. Now that which decayeth and waxeth old is ready to vanish away.

1 Corinthians 3:6: Who also hath made us able ministers of the New Testament; not of the letter, but of the spirit: for the letter killeth, but the spirit giveth life.

Let us follow Christ, the Light of the World, and be led of the Holy Spirit. Then only are we free from this Moral Law given by God.

Christ and the Holy Spirit will never lead us contrary to the Law, but in true harmony with it.

What part of the Law was given by the disposition of angels?

Acts 7:53: Who have received the Law by the disposition of Angels, and have not kept it.

Galatians 3:19: Wherefore then serveth the Law? It was added because of transgressions, till the Seed [Christ Jesus] should come to whom the Promise was made; and it was ordained by Angels in the hand of a mediator.

Hebrews 2:2: For if the word spoken by Angels was stedfast, and every transgression and disobedience received a just recompence of reward;

In view of Jehovah (Yahweh), the Lord having given the Law to Moses in:

Exodus 20:1: And God spake all these words, saying,

What Law was in the Lord Jesus' heart?

Psalms 40:8: I delight to do Thy Will, O my God: yea, Thy Law is within My heart.

This same law is written within our hearts, also.

Jeremiah 31:33-34:

³³ But this shall be the Covenant that I will make with the House of Israel; After those days, saith the LORD, I will put My Law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; and will be their God, and they shall be My people.

³⁴ And they shall teach no more every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, Know the LORD: for they shall all know Me, from the least of them unto the greatest of them, saith the LORD: for I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.

Romans 2:14: For when the Gentiles, which have not the Law, do by

nature the things contained in the Law, these, having not the Law, are a Law unto themselves:

Romans 8:2-4:

- ² For the Law of the Spirit of Life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the Law of Sin and Death.
- ³ For what the Law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending His Own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh:
- ⁴ That the Righteousness of the Law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.

When Jesus comes in and His Spirit takes control of our lives, the Righteousness of the Law is fulfilled in us, as we walk <u>not</u> after the flesh but after the Spirit.

Hebrews 8:10: For this is the Covenant that I will make with the House of Israel after those days, saith the Lord; I will put My Laws into their mind, and write them in their hearts: and I will be to them a God, and they shall be to Me a people:

Hebrews 10:15-16:

- ¹⁵ Whereof the Holy Spirit also is a witness to us: for after that He had said before.
- ¹⁶ This is the Covenant that I will make with them after those days, saith the Lord, I will put My Laws into their hearts, and in their minds will I write them;

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