

## The Ten Commandments Given to a New Generation Pt. 2

Deuteronomy 5:6-5:33

### I. The Core of The Covenant: The Ten Commandments (5:6-21)

#### A. Redemption and Relationship Precede Law (v. 6)

#### B. The Role of Law in The New Testament

1. In the coming of Christ, we have the New Covenant enacted (It was planned before the foundation of the world- Eph. 1).
2. We are no longer “under” the Old Covenant (Eph. 2:14-15; Rom. 10:4; Heb. 8:6-9, 13; Gal. 3:19, 23; Col. 2:16-17).<sup>1</sup>
  - a. We are under the law of Christ, the law of love. This does not mean there are no commands.
  - b. We see commands expressed in the NT (ex. “put offs” and “put ons”).
  - c. Old Testament Laws
    - i. Many *transfer directly* into how a NC believer loves God and others.
    - ii. Others contain transcendent *principles* which continue. The principle is transposed from the OT application (law) into the key of the NT in which the Kingdom of God is the church under Christ.

#### C. The Ten Commandments

1. Give full allegiance to God alone (v. 7)
2. Do not make any images to worship in place of God or to worship God through (v. 8-10)
3. Do not use the Lord’s name in vain or apply His character to (11)
4. Keep the sabbath holy (12-15)
5. Honor your parents (16).
6. Do not murder – value human life (17, see Gen. 9:6)
7. Do not commit adultery – protect the fidelity of marriage (18)
8. Do not steal (19)
9. Do not bear false witness (20)
10. Do not covet (21)

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<sup>1</sup> For a fuller defense of this see Thomas Schreiner *40 Questions about Christians and Biblical Law*, especially questions 9, 14-17.

## **II. A Reminder of the Solemn Fear & Responsibility of Hearing from God (5:22-33)**

- A. Their Solemn Fear when God Speaks (22-27)
  
- B. Their Need / Responsibility upon Hearing from God (28-33)
  - 1. A heart to fear God and keep His commands (cp. V. 29 with Deut. 29:2-4, Ezk. 36:26-27).
  - 2. They must be careful to do what he commanded and not turn aside (cp. Ps. 2).

## **III. Application: New Covenant, Same God (Hebrews 12:18-29)**

- A. God is a consuming fire – He his holy, holy, holy.
  
- B. We have a kingdom that cannot be shaken – the fullness of the promises are ours.
  
- C. The central command that flows from these realities is, “Let us offer to God acceptable worship with reverence and awe.”
  - 1. This doesn’t just refer to what we do on Sunday when we gather (it is not less than that).
  - 2. It is all of life – Coram Deo (before the face of God).