



DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

In the new series, "The Ten: Commandments for Today", we will be considering each of these instructions given by God. This series will focus on how these moral absolutes apply to us today. As we learn to put God first in our lives, we will grasp what it means to live life well.

1. How many of the Ten Commandments can you name?

2. While some of the Ten Commandments are very clear (i.e., "You shall not steal"), others are not. Which of the commandments are you most in need of further instruction?

Read Exodus 20:1-3.

3. God says, "You shall have no other gods before me." Using examples from everyday life, what does it mean to have God as first priority in our lives?

4. Why is it both essential, and in our best interest, to put God first in our lives?

5. Martin Luther noted that we never break the other commandments without first breaking the command against idolatry. Idolatry is worshipping something other than God. Give examples of idolatry you see around us.

6. Jesse stated that idols demand our total allegiance, which results in slavery. In discovering our potential idols, two questions need to be answered: 1) What do you think about most in your free time? 2) Who do you try to please the most in this life?

7. Jesse noted that to put God first in our lives, we need to:
 - Give Him the first priority in every decision we make.
 - Give Him the first dime of every dollar.
 - Give Him the first place in every relationship.
 - Give Him the best time of every day.
 - Make Him the first call in times of trouble.

Which of these do you most struggle with? Which of these is a strength upon which you can build?



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COMMANDMENTS FOR TODAY

No Other Gods | Jesse Smith | January 14, 2018 | Exodus 20:1

| MESSAGE NOTES | WHAT IS GOD SAYING TO ME? |
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| <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Give Him the first priority in every decision. 2. Give Him the first dime of every dollar. 3. Give Him the first place in every relationship. 4. Give Him the first minutes of every day. 5. Give Him the first call when you have a problem. | |

WHAT IS GOD ASKING ME TO DO?