



Does Jesus obey the 10 commandments ?

Luke 6:1-11, Luke 13:10-17

1. Sabbath legalism - now and then

2. The ten commandments - how they work

Micah 6:8 “ what does the LORD require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.”

Hosea 6:6 “ ... I desire mercy, not sacrifice, and acknowledgment of God rather than burnt offerings.”

Matthew 5:20-28. “For I tell you that unless your righteousness surpasses that of the Pharisees and the teachers of the law, you will certainly not enter the kingdom of heaven. 21 “You have heard that it was said to the people long ago, ‘Do not murder, and anyone who murders will be subject to judgment.’ 22 But I tell you that anyone who is angry with his brother will be subject to judgment. ... 23 “Therefore, if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, 24 leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled to your brother; then come and offer your gift. ... 27 “You have heard that it was said, ‘Do not commit adultery.’ 28 But I tell you that anyone who looks at a woman lustfully has already committed adultery with her in his heart.”

Matthew 22:37-40. “Jesus replied: “‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.’ 38 This is the first and greatest commandment. 39 And the second is like it: ‘Love your neighbour as yourself.’ 40 All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments.””

Then (Jesus) said to them, “The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath. So the Son of Man is Lord even of the Sabbath.” Mark 2:27 - 28

3. Legalistic obedience breaks the law

4. Does Jesus obey the 10 Commandments ? NO and YES

Mercy and Compassion shown to:

Hungry disciples Luke 6:1-5

A disabled man Luke 6:6-11

A crippled woman Luke 13:10-17

5. Do you share the compassion and mercy of God?

No love for your neighbour = no love for God

Connect Group discussion questions:

1. Read the 10 Commandments in Exodus 20:1-17. How exactly do these begin?
How does this help us to place the following words in the correct biblical order?
obedience, law, salvation, relationship
Which of the commandments refer to attitudes rather than actions? Why is a
“score” of 9/10 not good enough? See James 2:8-13.
2. It is customary to divide the commandments into two categories - #1-4 - our
relationship with God, # 5-10 our relationship with our neighbour. How valid is this
in the light of the following passages: John 14:15-26, 1John 4:7-20, James
2:14-17, 1John 3:16-18 ?
3. Your committee have \$1m to spend on billboard advertising in Sydney and you are
considering a proposal to advertise the 10 commandments. What could be the
potential negative and positive issues you would debate as you make a decision?
4. How does God’s law function to “lead us to Christ?” (Galatians 3:24)
5. What are the different “rationales” given for the fourth commandment in Exodus
20:8-11 and Deuteronomy 5:12-15. How do these help us to understand how we
can obey the Sabbath Command in principle rather than legalistically?