

10/18/20 SEED Group Questions

“The Ten Commandments – How to Love God”

Get to know one another:

Describe yourself

1. Give a brief introduction of yourself – background, where you are from, testimony of salvation, and how long you have been at Walnut Creek Baptist Church.
2. What is your expectation for this time together?
3. In regard to the message this morning, would you consider yourself a strict disciplinarian or a grace giver?
4. Which of the following describes your view of idols?
Concerned about idols and their influence in my life
Constantly struggling with idols that waste my time and take me away from God
Never really thought about it as relevant to my life

Into the message

1. The first commandments were summarized as “How to love God.”
Why was God giving instructions and prohibitions on How to love Him?
Do you give your children instructions on how to love you? If so why?
2. Why do we need a fixed standard of reference for loving God? Relate your answer to Judges 21:25.
3. Read Matthew 28:36-39 and then break the Ten Commandments into sections
 - a. How to love God
 - b. How to love man
 - c. Explain commandments 5-10 and how they relate to loving your neighbor as yourself
4. Why should God have absolute sovereignty or control of our lives? Relate your answer to Matt 6:24
5. Exodus 20:4-6 forbids idols or graven images. How is relevant to the modern Christian?
6. Name something that is so important that you will disobey God to get it. Is this an idol of the heart?
7. Pastor described the rotten fruit (immorality, selfishness, jealousy, pornography, unforgiveness etc.) as coming directly from the idols we have set up in our heart. Why is addressing the fruit without dealing with the idol a waste of time?

THE 10 COMMANDMENTS

EXODUS, Chapter 20

1. Thou shalt have no other gods before me.
2. Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me; And showing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments.
3. 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.
4. Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labor, and do all thy work: 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: 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.
5. Honor thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.
6. Thou shalt not kill.
7. Thou shalt not commit adultery.
8. Thou shalt not steal.
9. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor.
10. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is thy neighbor's.