

First Commandment

NO OTHER GODS

Key verse

“And God spoke all these words, saying, I am the LORD your God, who have brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery. You shall have no other gods before me.”

-Exodus 20:1-3

Discovery Questions

1. What do you understand about God’s intentions in issuing this commandment to His people?
2. Why God is so emphatic in giving this commandment?
3. Do we really obey this commandment in our day to day life situations?

Supported Verses and Discovery Questions

Set-1. God’s instructions in implementing the First commandment

Exodus 22:18 22:20 23:13 23:24 23:32-33 34:14-15 Levi 19:26, 31; 20:1-6, 27 Deut 8:19-20 Deuteronomy 11:16-17; 12:29-32; 13:1-18; 17:2-7; 18:9-14; 18:15-22

1. What are the instructions God has given to His people regarding others gods?
2. What are the ways instructed by God to deal with the people that worship other gods?
3. What will happen to those who serve other gods?
4. Why God is so serious regarding his people to serve Him alone?
5. How to identify the false prophets? What will happen to the false prophets?
6. Death penalty is meant for whom actually?

Set-2 Don't Judge Others

Supported Verses and Discovery Questions

Romans 3:23

John 8 :3-11

Matthew 7:1-5

Romans 2:1-8

1Corinthians 2:13-15, 4:5

1. What is the spiritual condition of all people?
2. What did Jesus told when the teachers of the Law and Pharisees and Sadducees persuasively asking Jesus to respond to their question: "Teacher this woman was caught in the act of adultery. In the Law Moses commanded us to stone such women. Now what do you say?"
3. What was the commandment of Jesus regarding "judging others"?
4. When the Law of Moses permits people to judge others by stoning such women to death why Jesus commands people not to judge others so emphatically?
5. What are the observations of Paul's regarding "judging others"?

III. Deuteronomy 6:4-5

Deuteronomy 10:20

1. What are the two attitudes that God commands us to keep while we serve him?
2. How to keep these attitudes toward God?
3. What will happen to you when you follow other gods according to Scriptures mentioned above?

Set- IV. Meditation on Giving to God

Genesis 14:18-20; 28:22; Leviticus 27:30-33; Numbers 18:21-24; Deut 12:5-21; 14:22-27
Exodus 13:2, 11-16; 22:29-30; 23:19; 34:19-20, 26 Deut 15:19-23; 18:3-4; 26:1-11

1. What are the ways that God ordained for His people to serve Him?
2. What are the instructions that God has laid down for His people in worshipping him?
3. Who are the Biblical models in giving tithe to God?
4. Offering the first fruits, firstborn, and firstlings to God refers to first commandment and tithing is connected to the first commandment? Why?
5. Why commandments regarding tithe is given? What is the main purpose?
6. What are the specific instructions that God has laid down for His people in bringing the first fruits, firstborn, and firstlings to God to worship him?
7. What might be the responsible reasons for this kind of instructions to His people?
8. Tithes of Israelites are for the inheritance of whom?

Application Journal

Apply to your personal life through your obedience to what God has spoken to you while you finish this lesson for God intended transformation to take place in you.

Use the space below to record your SHARPening activity

Simple - a short activity that can easily be completed this week

Hands-on - an action that goes beyond personal reading and reflection

Additional - a new undertaking, one you are not already doing

Realistic - a commitment that fits into your other priorities

Purposeful - A response of loving obedience to God that reflects His concerns for people and that points them toward His goodness
