

Deuteronomy 5: 1-10 The 10 Commandments 5/21/2023 Sermon 7

INTRO: What do you think about when you hear the word "commandment?"

Psalms 119 shows a clear and seamless flow between and a command **from** God and a love **for** God. **Psalms 119: 17-18, 24,52,71-72,92,103,111,140,165**

The Holy Spirit was in David in a way unlike many others. I Samuel 16:13, and for all of us who know Christ under the New Covenant.

Being familiar with the evil of the Pharisees in their manipulations of God's Law, makes us have a cold view toward the words of Psalms 119 such as "law" "precepts" "testimonies" "statutes" "word" "ordinances" and finally "commandments." We need not think this way.

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5:1 "observe them carefully"- Two errors can be made here.

A. A shallow view of just mechanical observing of the command.

Ex. Rich, young ruler (Matthew 19:16-30/Mark 10:17-31/Luke 18:18-30) "I have kept all these from my youth." He failed on this first commandment. He loved money and built his identity on it.

B. A myopic observance that "misses the forest for the trees." Deut. 4:2/ Matthew 15:1-9

5:3 "fathers" – meaning Abraham, Isaac, Jacob. Deuteronomy 4:37

5:7 Commandment 1- "Nearly all the commandments are couched in the negative form of a prohibition, because they presuppose the existence of sin and evil desire in the human heart." (Keil and Delitzsch - P. 114- The Pentateuch- "Exodus")

If you "fear" God you have no need to fear anybody else; or anything else. Clear and simple.

5:8 Commandment 2- (Check notes on Sermon 5 / 4:10-24/ "Idol Worship")

5:9-10 In relationship to those who **keep hating** in the pattern they saw in their parents; and in relationship to those who **keep loving** by the pattern of the parents. "3rd and 4th" are just a way of saying how long this could be. Deut. 7:9/ Exodus 34:7 "1000th generation."

This is **not a predetermined course** or they would have no responsibility for sin. Remember in I and 11 Kings, and Judges, we had situations where a bad dad had a good son, or a bad son had a good dad? **Ezekiel 18: 1-4, 10,13,14,18,23, 26, 27,30/ Jeremiah 31:29-30.**