Deuteronomy 5:16-17 Command 5&6 SERMON 9 Teague Bible Church 6/4/2023

Today's Text: Deut. 5: 16-17 Command 5 and 6

Command 5: "Honor Your Father And Mother"

This injunction deals with one of the closest of human relationships. To his parents the individual owes his very existence, and for this alone God demands due honor. Long life is promised as an incentive to obedience. Honor to parents is limited by the honor due to God first. Unless the parent ask, or involves you in unchristian or immoral behavior you should obey them. Both allegiances to parents and God are perfectly combined in Christ.

Mt. 10:37, 19:29; Lk.2:49, 51, Mk. 7:6-13, John 19:26-27

Another injunction that changes the parent /child relationship is when you move out and support yourself, or when you become married. Though you can always "Honor" your parents with profound respect after these events, you are not required to obey them above the wishes of your spouse. Many marriages have been damaged by parents (or in-laws) who still try to control their child after the "child" is married. The "child" allows it and thereby does not protect their spouse from this intrusion. Gen. 2:24

Grace in raising children - Ephesians 6:1-4 Col. 3:20-21

Command 6 "Thy Shall Not Commit Murder"

(Rasah) = murder, is not the word for kill. God told Israel to destroy certain peoples in Canaan, and to punish with death those who were idolaters, murderers, and various other law – breakers. Deut. 13:5-9/17:6/7:20-22

Capital Punishment was valid then Gen. 9:6. And for today Romans 13: 1-10 Romans 13:4 ",,, it does not bear the sword for nothing" means it has the power of execution.

Summary points of 5:22-33

Every nation must come to grips with the Ten Commandments whether they want to are not . What nations let stealing run rampant? What happens? Every nation has a police force or total chaos ensues.

5:22 ",,,and He added no more." The Ten Commandments are a complete summary of the fundamental requirements. All other law was a mere interpretation and expansion of these basis principles.

Exodus 20: 18-20 Reason to fear the Lord

The alternative is to fear man and fear the next wind of change, or to fear circumstances. In either case, not fearing God is to live a life of aimlessness. It results in a limited knowledge of why you are here, and ultimately to suffer eternal consequences.

Deut. 5:29 (Jeremiah 31:31/ Ezekiel 36:26-27/ Joel 2:28/ Acts 2) "Oh that they had such a heart in them" A deep and abiding love for God, loving good, and a love for the truth that comes from God. Lost people like the good consequences when good is done, but very few actively push for righteousness to be done. Truth has to be pursued, not just tolerated or accepted, it must be vigorously promoted with the right attitude that can only come from a changed heart; being born again. A heart that understands intrinsically what God desires and feels. I Cor. 2:6-16 Rom. 8: 14-17

The Old Covenant alone could never change the human heart like it can be changed by knowing Christ!