



4/12/2026 | Living Together as God's People (Part 1)

Reflect + Discuss

- What was a rule in your home growing up that you didn't understand at the time but now it makes sense?
- Read Exodus 20:1-11. The Ten Commandments are like wedding vows. They are Yahweh saying to the people of Israel, "This what I expect from you as we live together in marriage." Why is it crucial to remember that these commands were given after God rescued Israel from Egypt? Why does it matter that these weren't intended as a universal "moral code," but as specific vows for a specific people?
- Read Matthew 22:36-40. In what way is Jesus summarizing the Ten Commandments?
- Read Exodus 20:2-3. God starts by reminding them who He is and what He has done. What does this reveal about why He deserves our exclusive allegiance?
- Read Exodus 20:4-6. What does this command reveal about the depth of God's love?
- What does it mean to be exclusive to God? How can we recognize when something has become an "idol" in our lives? Is there anything in your life right now that could be competing with God for your devotion (status, body image, security, mobility, freedom, relationships)?
- Read Exodus 20:7. Why is it so important to be aware of what we are connecting the name of God with? What is the danger of connecting God's name to something that is false?
- Read Exodus 20:8-11. Read Psalm 132:13-14. Pastor Chris said, "Sabbath is intentional, God-centered rest and delight, not just a day without emails and social media." How do these verses move us towards enjoying creation with God? If Sabbath is a "trust practice," what would it look like for you to take one step toward "stopping work" to "delight in God"?
- As you look at your life, are you "carrying" God's name well? If your life was the only evidence someone had, what kind of God would they think you serve? Would people be able to tell that you are exclusive with God?

Pray

Pray that we may grow in understanding how deeply loved we are by an all-powerful God. Pray that we may grow in recognizing who God is and that we may be moved towards "delighting" more and more in Him. As we continue to reflect on this message, pray that we would be transformed more into the image of Jesus.

Next Steps

Check out the [resources page](#) for links to several Bible reading plans and other helpful tools. Explore other opportunities for growth and transformation by checking out [courses](#).