

**CHARITY MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH BIBLE STUDY**  
**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2025**

**ANSWERS**

The Ten Commandments and Beyond: Living God's Law  
*The Study of Exodus Chapter 20 through Chapter 22*

**1. What are the Ten Commandments?**

**ANSWER:** The Ten Commandments are laws given by God to the Israelites to guide their relationship with Him and with others. They include prohibitions against idolatry, murder, stealing, adultery, false witness, and coveting, as well as commands to honor parents and keep the Sabbath holy (Exodus 20:1-17).

**2. What does Exodus 20:1-2 reveal about the foundation of the Ten Commandments?**

**ANSWER:** Exodus 20 begins with a reminder that the commandments come from God Himself, who brought the Israelites out of slavery in Egypt. This establishes that their obedience to the commandments responds to God's salvation and grace.

**3. What is the connection between the Sabbath command (Exodus 20:8-11) and God's creation?**

**ANSWER:** The command to observe the Sabbath (a day of rest) is connected to the creation narrative in Genesis. God created the world in six days and rested on the seventh, so the Israelites are commanded to rest on the seventh day to honor God's creation and His work.

**4. How did people react when they heard God's voice?**

**ANSWER:** The people were afraid and trembled when they heard God's voice from the mountain and requested that Moses speak to them instead of God directly (Exodus 20:18-19).

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**5. How did the people respond to Moses's giving them the Ten Commandments?**

**ANSWER:** The people were in awe and fear, acknowledging that God was speaking to them and agreeing to follow His commands (Exodus 20:18-21).

**6. What is the purpose of the laws in Exodus 21-23?**

**ANSWER:** These laws were designed to govern daily life, including the treatment of slaves, personal injury, property rights, and various social issues. They provided a foundation for justice and fairness within the community (Exodus 21:1-23:9).

**7. What are some specific laws mentioned in Exodus 21-22?**

**ANSWER:** Laws about slavery (Exodus 21:2-11), restitution for theft (Exodus 22:1-15), and the protection of property (Exodus 22:16-23:9) are some of the civil regulations provided in these chapters.

**8. How does Exodus 21 address justice issues about personal injury or harm?**

**ANSWER:** Exodus 21 provides specific laws to ensure justice and fairness in personal injury cases. For example, it outlines the principle of "eye for eye, tooth for tooth" (Exodus 21:23-25), which emphasizes proportional justice and aims to prevent excessive retaliation.

**9. What does Exodus 22:21-27 teach about treating the vulnerable, such as strangers, widows, and orphans?**

**ANSWER:** God commands the Israelites to show kindness and compassion to the vulnerable members of society. These laws emphasize protection for those who may be easily exploited or harmed, highlighting God's care for the marginalized.