

Oh, How I Love Your Law!

Week 14 – The Second Commandment: Duties Required

OT: Exodus 20:4-6| NT: 1 Corinthians 10:14-22

Psalm 119:81-88

What are the sins forbidden in the Second Commandment?

- 1) Regarding any religious worship NOT instituted by God himself
 - a. You shall not plan/formulate/contrive [devise] it (Numbers 15:39)
 - b. You shall not entertain it (Deuteronomy 13:6-8)
 - c. You shall not accept and keep it (Hosea 5:11; Micah 6:16)
 - d. You shall not perform it (1 Kings 11:33; 12:33)
 - e. You shall not in any way approve of it (Deuteronomy 12:29-32) [READ]
- 2) You shall not tolerate any false religion (Deuteronomy 13:6-12; Zechariah 13:2-3; Revelation 2:2, 14-16; 20-23; Revelation 17:12-17)
- 3) Regarding fashioning images of our God, of the Godhead or any of the three persons:
 - a. You shall not inwardly think of God as any kind of creature (Acts 17:29; Romans 1:21-25)
 - b. You shall not outwardly depict God as any kind of creature (Deuteronomy 4:15-24)
 - c. You shall not worship such imagery or depictions, or worship God in them or by them (Daniel 3:18; Galatians 4:8; Exodus 32:1-6)
- 4) Regarding false gods
 - a. You shall not depict or represent them (Exodus 32:7-9)
 - b. You shall not worship or owe service to them (1 Kings 18:20-29; Isaiah 65:11-12)
- 5) You shall not entertain superstitions (Acts 17:22-31; Colossians 2:20-23)
- 6) You shall not pollute or corrupt your worship (Malachi 1:6-14)
- 7) You shall not add to prescribed worship, nor take away from prescribed worship (Deuteronomy 4:2)
 - a. Whether invented, imagined, or created in our own minds (Psalm 106:39; 1 Kings 11-12)
 - b. Whether received by tradition of others (Matthew 15:9)
 - c. Whether they are ancient custom (1 Peter 1:18; Jeremiah 44:17)
 - d. Whether inferred as devotion or good intent (Isaiah 65:1-5; Galatians 1:13-14; 1 Samuel 13:8-14; 1 Samuel 15:17-21)
- 8) Simony: You shall not bribe God (Acts 18:14-24; Deuteronomy 10:17; 2 Chronicles 19:7)
- 9) Sacrilege: You shall not withhold from God what is rightly his (Romans 2:22; Malachi 3:8)
- 10) Regarding the worship and ordinances appointed by God:
 - a. You shall not neglect them (Exodus 4:24-26)
 - b. You shall not hold them in contempt (Matthew 22:2-5; Malachi 1:1-7)
 - c. You shall not hinder them (Matthew 23:13)
 - d. You shall not oppose them (Acts 13:44-45; 1 Thessalonians 2:15-16)