The Ten Commandments' Purpose- Part 2

Exodus 20:12-17

1. God's Design For Human Life vs. 1-17

a) Loving God vs. 3-11

- i) Importance- God being First vs. 3-4
- ii) Importance- Honouring God's Name vs. 7
- iii) Importance- Societies Health vs. 8-11

b) Loving People vs. 12-17

- iv) Importance- Family vs 12.
- v) Importance- Human Life vs. 13
- vi) Importance- Sexual Integrity vs. 14
- vii) Importance- Trustworthy vs. 15
- viii) Importance- Truth & Integrity vs. 16
- ix) Importance- Having Godly Desires vs. 17

As God's redeemed people, the Israelites were expected to live the way God designed each person to live; reflecting even more fully the image of God within them.

Through Jesus saving grace, those committed to our Lord and Saviour are expected to live the way God designed each person to live; reflecting even more fully the image of God within them.

Questions:

- 1. Whatever threatens the family ultimately threatens our relationship with God and with the Church Family. In what ways can we as a church support the Family Household and empower them to live the design that God gave our families?
- 2. What do our words and actions communicate? Is our focus promoting reconciliation and edification, or is it judgment and discouragement? (Matthew 5:21-26)
- 3. Trust can be hard to find in this world, but in God's Family trust is essential in order to truly be united as God's Body. What are ways that we can strengthen our trust towards each other and towards trusting in our God? (Jeremiah 7:9-11)
- 4. In Canadian culture, one's opinion or feeling can become more important than truth. Does our words and actions reflect truth? In what ways can we empower each other to pursue truth?

Main Idea:

The Ten Commandments are for God's redeemed people so they may understand how to...

- Live under God's rule
- Experience protection from living in rebellion
- Remember who our God is
- Live rightly so others may also give God the honour and respect that He deserves.
- Obey God's Design for Human Life