

The Ten Commandments: David breaks all God's moral LAWS

Texts: 2 Samuel 11-12; Exodus 20 (Moral Law); Matthew 5 (Jesus: spirit of the Moral Law); John 14:15, 23-24

#1 Exo. 20:1-3 Then God spoke all these words, saying, "I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery." "You shall have no other gods before Me." David violates the spirit of the law through selfishness and unbridled lusts that become more important than God. (2 Sam. 11)

#2 Exo. 20:4-6 "You shall not make for yourself an idol or any likeness of what is in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the water under the earth. You shall not worship them or serve them; for I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children, on the third and the fourth generations of those who hate Me, but showing lovingkindness to thousands, to those who love Me and keep My commandments." David's position and power, as king, becomes as idols and believes he can hide his sins from God and Israel. (Disobedience, of not going to war, is the sin of idolatry 1 Sam. 15:23)

#3 Exo. 20:7 "You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not leave him unpunished who takes His name in vain." As a consequence for hypocrisy (putting himself above judgment), David gave occasion for the enemies of Israel to blaspheme God. (2 Sam. 12:1-6)

#4 Exo. 20:8-11 "Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath of the LORD your God...therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy." David was unable to worship with a clean heart, and his soul wasted away because of unconfessed sin. (Psa. 51)

#5 Exo. 20:12 "Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be prolonged in the land which the LORD your God gives you." David dishonors his parent's name. (2 Sam. 12:9)

#6 Exo. 20:13 "You shall not murder." David does evil by ordering the murder of Uriah and those serving beside Uriah. (2 Sam. 11:14-21; Mat. 5:21-22)

#7 Exo. 20:14 "You shall not commit adultery." David seduces Bathsheba. (2 Sam. 11:4)

#8 Exo 20:15 "You shall not steal." David takes Bathsheba as a wife. (2 Sam. 11:26-27)

#9 Exo. 20:16 "You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor." David acts deceitfully towards, his neighbor, Uriah by conspiring to get him drunk and to sleep with Bathsheba. (2 Sam. 11:6-13)

#10 Exo. 20:17 "You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife or his male servant or his female servant or his ox or his donkey or anything that belongs to your neighbor." David lusts after Bathsheba and breaks the spirit of God's moral law. (2 Sam. 11:2; Mat. 5:27-28)

David's repentance

2 Sam. 12:13 "Then David said to Nathan, "I have sinned against the LORD." And Nathan said to David, "The LORD also has taken away your sin; you shall not die." (Psa. 51; 32; 23)