



SMALL GROUP CURRICULUM

Sermon: **The Preamble to the 10 Commandments, Pt 1 (Exodus 20:1-21)**

Date: **April 30, 2023**

Group Discussion Questions

1. How did the Holy Spirit speak to you through the teaching and bible passage this week?
2. The first few words of Exodus 20:1 simply state, *“And God spoke all these words, saying...”* Simply put, what are the significance of these first few words? What do they communicate about the weight and authority of what follows?
3. What are the two different ways in which God communicated the 10 Commandments to his people? What does this teach us about their importance?
4. Why is it significant that God publicly gave the 10 Commandments in such a way that all his people heard them? What does this teach us about the nature and accessibility of the law?
5. As we consider God’s example in the giving of the law, what principles can we glean that would apply to governments and lawmakers today as they seek to create and uphold laws?
6. Is there any place for secret theology or secret knowledge among a privileged class within a religious or political system? Is this a Christian concept? Explain.



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7. Is the moral law of God simple or complex? Explain. How does this contrast with much of the laws of men?

8. The moral law is clear and concise. What are the implications of this as we think about things such as the knowledge of sin and the need for salvation? Does the law leave any room for excuses or confusion when it comes to the knowledge of and accountability for sin?

9. Read John 1:1-18. How does God “speak” in this passage? How does it compare the giving of Jesus with the giving of the law (see verse 17 in particular)?