

## THE EVERLASTING PRINCIPLES OF THE ROCK OF AGES . . .

“JESUS CHRIST THE SAME YESTERDAY, AND TODAY, AND FOREVER.”  
(Hebrews 13:8)

### CHRISTIAN SCHOLARS TESTIFY ABOUT THE TEN COMMANDMENTS AND WHICH LAW WAS NAILED TO THE CROSS.

These quotations used for establishing of TRUTH.

- \*BAPTIST: Spurgeon - “The law of God is a divine law, holy, heavenly - perfect. There is not a commandment too many, there is not one too few, but it is so incomparable that its perfection is a proof of its divinity.” *Vol. 2, Sermon 18*.  
“First the law of God must be perpetual. There is no abrogation of it, nor amendment of it. It is not to be toned down or adjusted to our fallen condition; but every one of the Lord’s righteous judgements abideth forever.”
- \* Dr.Billy Graham - “The word ‘Law’ is used by the New Testament writers in two senses. Sometimes it refers to the ceremonial law of the Old Testament, which is concerned about ritual matters and regulations ... from this law Christians are free indeed. But the New Testament also speaks of the moral law, (i.e.- The Ten Commandments) which is of a permanent, unchanging character and is summarised in the Ten Commandments.” *Ass. Press Despatch*.
- \* Baptist Catechism p.9. “Question 46. Where is the moral law summarily comprehended?  
Answer - The moral law is summarily comprehended in the Ten Commandments ... The preface to the Ten Commandments teaches us that because God is the Lord and our God and Redeemer, therefore we are bound to keep all His commandments.”
- \*METHODIST: John Wesley - “The moral law, contained in the Ten Commandments, and enforced by the prophets, Christ did not take away. It was not the design of His coming to revoke any part of this. The moral law stands on an entirely different foundation from the Ceremonial or ritual law. Every part of this law must remain in force upon all mankind, and in all ages.” *Upon our Lord’s Sermon on the mount” Vol. 5:311*.
- \* “I cannot spare the law one moment, no more than I can spare Christ. Seeing I now want it as much to keep me to Christ, as I ever wanted it to bring me to Him. Indeed each is continually sending me to the other - the law to Christ and Christ to the law. The love of God endears the law to me, this is perfect freedom thus to keep the law, and to walk in all His commandments blameless.” *Sermons on Several Occasions Vol.1:314,315. See James chaps 1 & 2*.
- \* Doctrinal Standard of Methodism page 190. “Although the law given from God by Moses as touching Ceremonies and Rites doth not bind Christians; yet notwithstanding, no Christian whatsoever is free from the commandments which are called Moral.”
- \*PRESBYTERIAN: “Confession of Faith” ch.19 art.5. “The moral law doth bind forever all, as well justified persons as other, to the obedience thereof. Neither doth Christ in the gospel in any way dissolve, but much strengthen this obligation.”
  - \* John Calvin the father of Presbyterianism wrote: - “We must not imagine that coming to Christ has freed us from the authority of the law, for it is the eternal rule of a devout and holy life, and must therefore, be as unchangeable as the justice of God.” *Commentary on the harmony of the gospels” vol.1 p.277*.
  - \* Albert Barnes Presbyterian scholar wrote, “We learn hence -
    1. That ALL the law of God is binding on Christians. James 2:10.
    2. That the commands of God should be preached in their proper place by Christian ministers.

3. That they who pretend that there are any laws of God so small that they need not obey them, are unworthy of His kingdom.

4. That true piety has respect to all commandments of God and keeps them.” *Notes on the Gospels; comment Matthew 5:19.*

- \* On Matthew 5:18 “The ceremonial laws are such as are pointed to meet certain states of society or to regulate the religious rite and ceremonies of a people, (e.g. the Israelites). They can be changed when circumstances are changed and yet the moral law be untouched.” The ceremonial law had to deal with rites of blood offerings which ceased when the great ‘Lamb’ Jesus finally offered up His blood on Calvary on behalf of our past law-breaking. The ceremonial law was “nailed to the Cross” therefore ... Colossians 2:14.
- \*CONGREGATIONAL: G.Campbell Morgan speaking of the vital necessity of keeping the Commandments: “It is only when grace enables men to keep the law, that they are free from it; just as a moral man who lives according to the laws of the country is free from arrest. God has not set aside His law, but He has found a way by which men can fulfil law, and so be free from it. (i.e. the forgiveness of past breakages of the law by genuine repentance and obedience, and accepting His grace) *The Ten Commandments* (1901) p.23.
- \*LUTHERAN: Martin Luther - Following the quoting of the Ten Commandments Luther says: “We should therefore, love and trust in Him, and gladly obey His Commandments.” *Schaff. Vol.3 p.77. Luther’s Small Catechism. (1529).*
- \*CHURCH OF SCOTLAND: Draft Catechism with notes p.51. “In the Scriptures we learn what the way of life is, which He desires us to follow. In the Ten Commandments God has laid upon us certain moral demands that must be basic in our conduct. The commandments reflect the character of God; that is the kind of God He is, so that those who are His children must live a life that is in harmony with that character. We are, that is, not dealing merely with a moral law. Behind each commandment is the living God. The second thing to be noted is that men and nations who defy these commands and follow the ways of conduct that break them, inevitably, sooner or later end in destruction. The shores of history, ancient and modern are strewn with such wreckage.”
- \*CHURCH OF ENGLAND: Articles of Religion p.260. “No Christian is free from the obedience of the commandments which are called moral.”
- \* The 39 ARTICLES of Religion of the Church of England (1571) Art.VII “The law given from God by Moses concerning ceremonies and rites is not binding: no Christian man whatsoever, is free from the obedience of the commandments which are called moral.” (The ancient speech used in the original draft is modernized, the meaning unaltered.)
- \*MOODY: the great American evangelist and revivalist of the last century - “Weighed and Wanting” pp. 11-16. “The law given at Sinai has lost none of its solemnity. Time cannot wear out its authority or the fact of its authorship. Men may cavil as much as they like about other parts of the Bible, but I have never met an honest man that found fault with the Ten Commandments ... It has been well said that the commandments did not originate with Moses, nor were they done away with when the Mosaic Law was fulfilled in Christ. The Commandments of God are as binding today as ever they have been. Jesus never condemned the law and the prophets, but He did condemn those who did not obey them ... The people must be made to understand that the Ten Commandments are still binding, and that there is a penalty attached to their violation. We do not want a gospel of mere sentiment.”

**\*\*\*THE TEN COMMANDMENTS REPEATED IN THE NEW TESTAMENT\*\*\***

“Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God and Him only shalt thou serve.” Matthew 4:10

“Little children keep yourselves from idols.” “Forasmuch then as we are the offspring of God, we ought not to think that the Godhead is like unto gold, silver, or stone graven by art and man’s device.” 1 John 5:21; Acts 17:29

“That the name of God and His doctrine be not blasphemed.” 1 Timothy 6:1

“The Sabbath was made for man and not man for the Sabbath.” “For He spake in a certain place of the seventh day on this wise, and God did rest the seventh day from all His works.” “For by Him were all things created that are in heaven, and that are in earth.” “There remaineth therefore the keeping of a Sabbath to the people of God. For he that is entered into his rest, he also hath ceased from his own works as God did from His.” Mark 2:27,28; Hebrews 4:4; Colossians 1:16; Hebrews 4:9,10 (marginal reading.)

“Honour thy father and thy mother.” Matthew 19:19

“Thou shalt not kill.” Romans 19:9

“Thou shalt not commit adultery.” Matthew 19:18

“Thou shalt not steal.” Romans 13:9

“Thou shalt not bear false witness.” Romans 13:9

“Thou shalt not covet.” Romans 7:7

Here are all the precepts of the Old Testament endorsed in the New. We might as well deny that the sun shines as to deny the binding obligation of the commands of God under the gospel.

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## THE TWO LAWS CONTRASTED

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS OR MORAL LAW	THE CEREMONIAL OR LAW OF MOSES
<p>Called the 'Royal Law.' - James 2:8</p> <p>Spoken &amp; written by God - Ex.24:12;Deut.4:12</p> <p>Is PERFECT - Psalm 19:7</p> <p>Is 'to stand fast forever.' - Psalm 111:7,8</p> <p>Was emphasized by Christ - Matt.5:17;Isa.42:21</p> <p>Reveals sin - Romans 7:7; 3:20</p> <p>Breaking of this law is sin - 1 John 3:4</p> <p>Must keep the whole law - James 2:10</p> <p>The Christian who keeps this law lives in 'liberty' of and from eternal death - James 1:25</p> <p>Is 'spiritual' and 'righteous.' - Romans 7:14; Psalm 119:172</p>	<p>Called the 'law contained in ordinances' - Eph.2:15</p> <p>Spoken and written by Moses - Lev.1:1-3; 2Chron.35:12</p> <p>Made nothing perfect - Hebrews 7:19</p> <p>Was 'nailed to his cross.' - Col.2:14</p> <p>Was abolished by Christ - Eph.2:15</p> <p>Prescribes blood offerings for sin - See Leviticus</p> <p>No sin in breaking, only a ceremony - Eph.2:15; Romans 4:15</p> <p>No command to keep this law - Acts 15:24</p> <p>This law brings no blessing to any today - Gal. 5:1, 3</p> <p>The law of the carnal commandment - Hebrews 7:16</p>

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“So speak ye and so do, as they that shall be judged by the law of liberty.” James 2:8-12.

“When we walk with the Lord, in the light of His word,

What a glory He sheds on our way!

While we do His good will, He abides with us still, and with all who will trust and obey.

Trust and obey, for there's no other way, to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.”

“FOR NOT THE HEARERS OF THE LAW ARE JUST BEFORE GOD, BUT THE DOERS OF THE LAW SHALL BE JUSTIFIED.” Romans 2:13

“IF YOU LOVE ME, KEEP MY COMMANDMENTS.”

\*\*\*\*\*John 14:15\*\*\*\*\*

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