

8. Chapter 5 forms what is called an inclusion. It essentially ends the same way it began. What is it?
9. What section of the commandments is more difficult to keep, the vertical or the horizontal?
10. What does this passage teach us about the contemporary need for these commandments in our present cultural climate?

Personal Reflection

1. Did this study teach you something new regarding these Commandments?
2. What practical changes do you need to make based on this study?

Looking Ahead

Next week's message will focus on Isaiah 53. Take time to read the chapter and come prepared as we study how this passage became the most prominent prophetic passage about the person and work of Jesus Christ.

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Rules of Engagement Deuteronomy 5



Life Group Study Notes

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Study based
on
Deuteronomy
5:1-33

This Week's Message

They have shaped values and ethics for centuries and been foundational in the establishment of nations. From the time Moses came down from Mt Sinai with this short list of rules centuries ago, they have given us a picture of God. Are they just rules, or much more?

Study

Read Deuteronomy 5:1-33

Moses received the Ten Commandments 40 years earlier on Mount Sinai (Exodus 20). In Deuteronomy 5, he is reminding the people of the covenant God established with them and repeating them as part of the covenant renewal of the people.

1. Was there a key point from the message that you would like to discuss, or expand upon?
2. Take time to discuss the nature of biblical covenants. Why is it important to understand their place in the Bible?
3. Verse 6 is considered the "introduction" to the commandments. Discuss the significance of this verse and why it is an important prelude to the commandments?

4. What two commandments have the most commentary attached to them? Discuss the significance of each and why these two are emphasized in this way?

5. The Ten Commandments can also be called a:

Divine _____ of _____.

6. A chart was given in the message. Fill in the blanks and discuss the various pieces as given in the message.

7. From verses 22 to 33, Moses is admonishing the people to do what? In a few brief sentences, what is the essential message of these verses?