

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

I. Thou shalt have no other gods before me.

II. Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth: Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the Lord thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me; And showing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments.

III. Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain; for the Lord will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain.

IV. Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work: But the seventh day is the sabbath of the Lord thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates: For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it.

V. Honour thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.

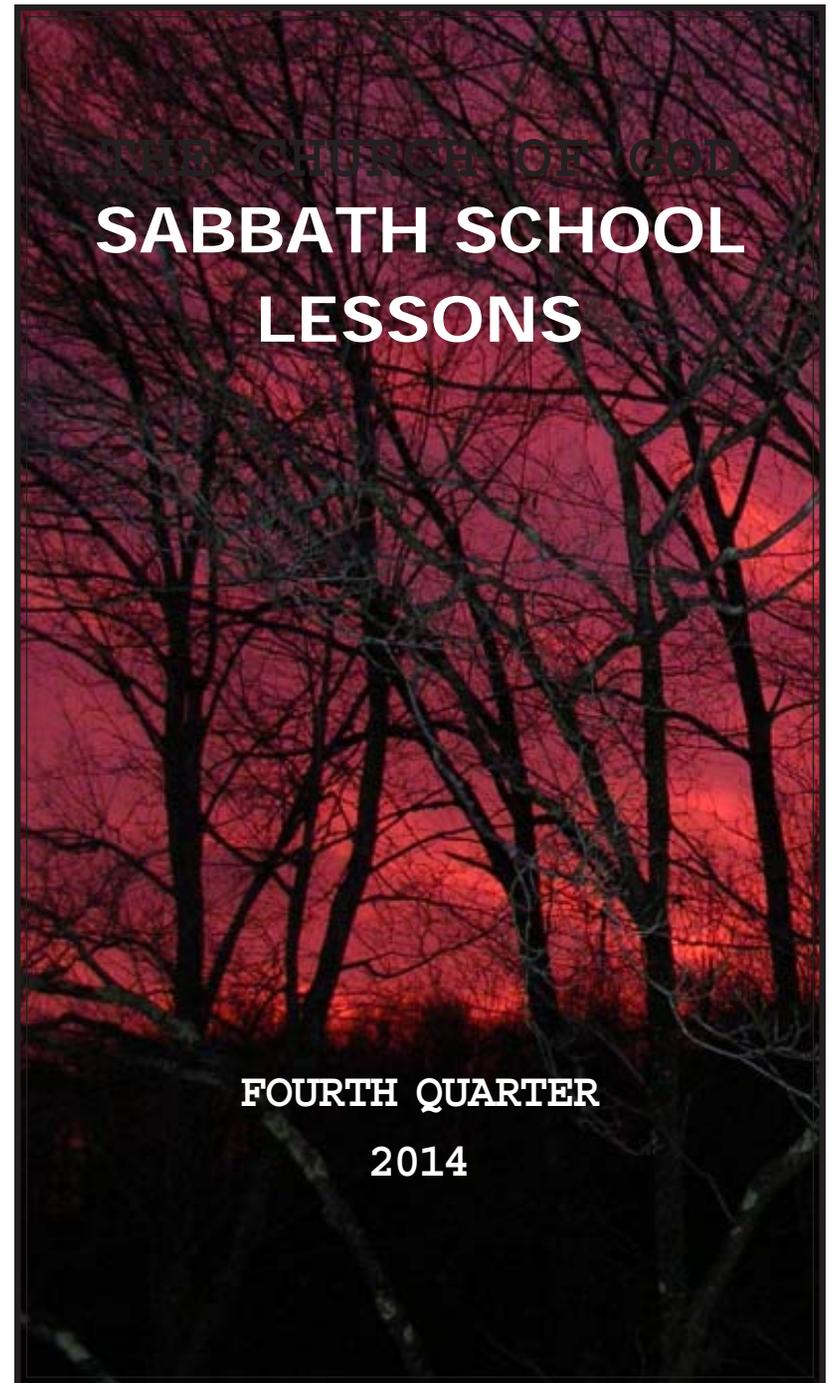
VI. Thou shalt not kill.

VII. Thou shalt not commit adultery.

VIII. Thou shalt not steal.

IX. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour.

X. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is thy neighbour's.



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IN THIS QUARTERLY

We have been called by God to worship Him “in spirit and in truth.” To do so, we must show responsibility in all areas of our lives. In these lessons, we learn that we have many obligations no matter where we find ourselves in life. Whether we be a leader or member, father, mother, child or citizen, our heavenly Father expects the best from us. It is a tribute to the man when the Lord says to Satan, "Hast thou considered my servant Job." He should be able to say it about us as well.

“Be Responsible”.

Lesson For Sabbath, October 4, 2014

RESPONSIBILITY TO GOD

Scripture Reading: John 4:5-26.

Golden Text: John 4:24.

1. Whom is God seeking? John 4:23.
2. Beside Him, what else does He want “true worshippers” to seek? Matthew 6:33.
3. What is necessary to accomplish this goal? Hebrews 11:6.
4. What must accompany faith? James 2:17-20.

NOTE: Works is obedience. Believing is not enough since we have been called to act as well.

5. How did Jesus present this message? John 5:36; 17:1-4.
6. What commission was given to His disciples? Matthew 28:18-20; Romans 10:18.
7. How did He present this in a parable? Matthew 25:14-15.
8. What was the result? Matthew 25:16-18.
9. When the Lord returned, did each servant have to give an account? Matthew 25:19.
10. What do we learn? Matthew 25:20-28.
11. What is the lesson of this parable? Matthew 25:29-30.
12. How are we to conduct our lives? Matthew 24:42-46; Luke 12:42-43.

NOTE: We have a great responsibility. Let's keep working.

Lesson For Sabbath, October 11, 2014

RESPONSIBILITY TO THE CHURCH

Scripture Reading: Ephesians 5:19-32.

Golden Text: Ephesians 5:27.

1. After they had eaten, what directive did Jesus give Peter? John 21:15-17.
2. How does the Prophet Jeremiah record something similar? Jeremiah 3:15; Paul? Acts 20:28.
3. Why is teaching important? Hosea 4:6.
4. How is knowledge shared? Romans 10:13-17.
5. Who is responsible for sharing this information? Ephesians 4:11-12.
6. Why? Ephesians 4:13-14.

NOTE: We, as members of Christ's body, all have a responsibility to the church. We should always be living "teachers", or examples.

7. How should all men know we are disciples of Jesus Christ? John 13:34-35; Galatians 6:10.
8. Is unity important to the church? I Corinthians 1:10; Psalm 133:1; Ephesians 4:1-3.
9. What benefit can be derived from helping our brethren? James 5:20; I Peter 4:8.
10. What can we look forward to if we continue to act responsibly to, and in, the church? Revelation 19:7-9.

Lesson For Sabbath, October 18, 2014

RESPONSIBILITIES IN THE CHURCH

Scripture Reading: Ephesians 5.

Golden Text: Philippians 2:15.

1. Who is the head of the church? Colossians 1:12-18.
2. Should we depend on Jesus? John 15:5.
3. What will depending on Christ do for us? Philippians 4:13; II Corinthians 12:10.
4. How does the Prophet Isaiah write about this? Isaiah 40:29-31.
5. What kind of people and gifts do we find in the church? I Corinthians 12:28.
6. Do we all have the same gifts or responsibilities? I Corinthians 12:29-30,14,18.
7. When Paul writes to Titus, we learn of various responsibilities in the church:
 - a. Aged men. Titus 2:2.
 - b. Aged women and young women. Titus 2:3-5.
 - c. Young men. Titus 2:6-8; I Peter 5:5-6.
 - d. Servants. Titus 2:9-10.

8. What reason is given for Paul's instructions? Titus 2:11-13.

NOTE: We are all vital to the church. Let us make sure we do our part.

Lesson For Sabbath, October 25, 2014

RESPONSIBILITY TO OUR GOVERNMENT

Scripture Reading: Romans 13.

Golden Text: Romans 13:1.

NOTE: While we look forward to the kingdom and everlasting government, we still have responsibilities here and now.

1. Is God involved with the government of men? Daniel 2:19-21; 4:34-35.
2. Did Daniel become a ruler in Babylon? Daniel 2:46-48; 5:29.
3. Were his friends part of the government? Daniel 2:49; 3:29-30.
4. When Darius took the kingdom, what happened to Daniel? Daniel 5:31 to 6:3.
5. Was Joseph part of the Egyptian government? Genesis 41:38-44.
6. Did Jesus teach responsibility to the government? Matthew 22:15-22.
7. How does Paul instruct Timothy in these matters? I Timothy 2:1-3.
8. How should we live in this world at this time? I Peter 2:13-17.

NOTE: Our first course of action is to worship God, but He still expects us to be good citizens, pay our taxes and pray for those in authority.

9. When the laws of the land conflict with the Law of God, what should our responsibility be? Acts 5:25-29.
10. What example did the Prophet Daniel give us when he faced conflicting laws? Daniel 6:7-10.

Lesson For Sabbath, November 1, 2014

RESPONSIBILITY TOWARD OUR PARENTS

Scripture Reading: Ephesians 6:1-12.

Golden Text: Ephesians 6:2.

1. What is the promise that comes with obeying our parents? Exodus 20:12; Proverbs 3:1-2.
2. How is this further explained in Revelation 20? Revelation 20:6.
3. Is obeying our parents pleasing to the Lord? Colossians 3:20; Ephesians 6:1.

NOTE: If we obey our earthly parents, it will be easier to obey our heavenly Father.

4. What will our earthly parents share with us? Proverbs 1:8.
5. What will these instructions and law become? Proverbs 1:9.
6. If sinners try to entice us, what should we do? Proverbs 1:10-16.
7. How can we receive extra help at a time of testing? James 4:7-10.
8. Is it proper for parents to correct their children? Proverbs 13:24; Hebrews 12:6-11.
9. What is the difference between the following sons? Proverbs 28:7.
10. What will happen to those children who curse either father or mother? Proverbs 20:20.

NOTE: Our parents are preparing us for the future. With their help, and God's Holy Spirit, we may be found worthy to receive the gift of eternal life.

Lesson For Sabbath, November 8, 2014

RESPONSIBILITY TO MYSELF

Scripture Reading: Romans 12.

Golden Text: Romans 12:1.

NOTE: The word "present" in verse 1 means yield.

1. What does Paul write about the Philippians in regard to an acceptable sacrifice? Philippians 4:15-18.

NOTE: By helping Paul, they were helping themselves.

2. Should our thinking change as well as our actions? Romans 12:2; Philippians 2:1-8.

3. How does Paul instruct Timothy and, by extension, us? II Timothy 2:19.

4. What does the apostle write about studying? II Timothy 2:15.

5. How can we benefit from meditation? Psalm 119:97,99.

6. What will God's Holy Spirit do for His children?

- a. Lead us to truth. John 15:26-27; 16:13.
- b. Help our character. Galatians 5:22-25.
- c. Quicken our mortal bodies. Romans 8:11.

7. What should Jesus' life be to the brethren? I Peter 2:21.

8. If we follow Peter's instructions, what will happen? II Peter 1:2-10.

Lesson For Sabbath, November 15, 2014

RESPONSIBILITY OF A LEADER

Scripture Reading: II Samuel 7:1-17.

Golden Text: II Samuel 7:22.

1. After Nathan instructed David, what did David do? II Samuel 7:18-19.

2. How does David say he will behave? Psalm 101:1-3.

3. What does a responsible leader recognize? Psalm 121:1-5; 119:103-106.

4. While David did not want to sin, when he did, what did he do? II Samuel 12:13; 24:10,14.

5. What happened to the house of Saul after his sin? II Samuel 3:1.

6. When the Lord had delivered David out of the hand of Saul, what do we read? II Samuel 22:1-4.

7. When Solomon dedicated the temple, what did he do? I Kings 8:12-14,22-26.

8. What are the qualifications of a bishop? I Timothy 3:1-7.

9. Deacon? I Timothy 3:8-13.

10. How does Peter exhort the elders? I Peter 5:1-4.

Lesson For Sabbath, November 22, 2014

RESPONSIBILITY TO OUR NEIGHBORS

Scripture Reading: Luke 10:25-37.

Golden Text: Luke 10:27.

1. What instructions are given in the Old Testament concerning neighbors? Leviticus 19:18; Proverbs 14:21.
2. How are we to guard our conversation when we speak of our neighbor? Exodus 20:16; Psalm 15:1-3.
3. What did Jesus say of our neighbors? Matthew 22:39.
4. Why did Jesus commend the scribe? Mark 12:32-34.
5. What are we to do when our neighbor is burdened? Galatians 6:2; Romans 12:15.
6. After Jesus gave the parable of the “Good Samaritan,” what question did He ask? Luke 10:36.
7. What answer was given to Him? Luke 10:37.
8. How can we know we are showing love toward our neighbor? Romans 13:8-10.
9. Did Moses feel a responsibility toward his fellow Israelites? Exodus 32:31-32.
10. As the opportunity is given to us to be responsible neighbors, what should we do? Galatians 6:8-10.

Lesson For Sabbath, November 29, 2014

ENJOYMENT THROUGH RESPONSIBLE LIVING

Scripture Reading: II Chronicles 30.

Golden Text: Isaiah 12:3.

1. Does the Psalmist tell us to be glad and shout for joy? Psalm 32:11; 33:1; 51:8.
2. What is prepared for the upright and righteous? Psalm 97:11-12; Ecclesiastes 2:26.
3. What does Peter write about joy? I Peter 4:13.
4. How does David tell us to serve the Lord? Psalm 100.
5. When King David exhorted the people, what do we learn? I Chronicles 29:1-3,9,17.
6. How was enjoyment felt by the people during the times of Ezra and Nehemiah? Ezra 6:3,15,19,22; Nehemiah 8:10-12.
7. What words do we read from the Lord Jesus concerning our joy? John 16:20-24.
8. While one can backslide into sin, what is promised? II Chronicles 7:14; James 4:10.
9. How did the seventy return from their missionary trip? Luke 10:17,19-20.
10. Is joy a fruit of the Spirit? Galatians 5:22.
11. What does Peter write about the saints in his first epistle? I Peter 1:1,5-8.

Lesson For Sabbath, December 6, 2014

A RESPONSIBLE LIFE OF PRAYER

Scripture Reading: Matthew 6:1-15.

Golden Text: Psalm 55:17.

1. What words of action does Jesus use to encourage us to pray? Matthew 7:7-11.
2. Why does Isaiah say to seek the Lord? Isaiah 55:6-7.
3. How does Paul encourage us? Philippians 4:6-7.
4. What does he write to Timothy? II Timothy 1:1-3.
5. Did the Prophet Daniel stop praying because of an edict in the land of Babylon? Daniel 6:4-10.
6. What was Saul, later Paul, doing after he was struck blind on his way to Damascus? Acts 9:8-11.
7. What experience does Paul share with the Corinthians about his prayer life? II Corinthians 12:7-10.
8. Will the prayer of faith save the sick? James 5:15-18.
9. When Paul prayed for the Ephesians, what did he want for them? Ephesians 3:13-21.
10. After putting on our “armour”, what resource do we have available to us? Ephesians 6:11,18.

Lesson for Sabbath, December 13, 2014

AN IRRESPONSIBLE LIFE OF PRAYER

Scripture Reading: James 4.

Golden Text: James 4:3.

NOTE: The word "amiss" means evilly.

1. What happened in the Wilderness of Sin? Exodus 16:1-3,8,11-13.
 2. While the Lord answered their request, what does the Psalmist record of this incident? Psalm 106:7,12-15.
- NOTE: It's important for us to pray in the will of God for He knows what is best for us.*
3. How is this precious thought stated in I John? I John 5:14.
 4. Will the Lord always hear us? Psalm 66:18; Proverbs 15:29.
 5. What does Job say about his lips and tongue? Job 27:1-4.
- NOTE: We cannot fool God because He is able to search our hearts and know our motives.*
6. After the blind man has his sight restored, what do we learn? John 9:1-3, 24-33.
 7. According to Isaiah, what separates us from God? Isaiah 59:1-4.
 8. Discuss the questions that Malachi asks in Malachi 1:7-10.
 9. Does keeping the Law of God have anything to do with having our prayers answered? Proverbs 28:9; Zechariah 7:11-13.
 10. How should we pray so as not to become irresponsible? James 1:6-8.

Lesson For Sabbath, December 20, 2014

RESPONSIBLE STEWARDSHIP

Scripture Reading: Luke 12:31-50.

Golden Text: Luke 12:37.

1. Were Adam and Eve to be responsible stewards? Genesis 1:28; 2:15.
2. Who owns everything? Exodus 19:5; Leviticus 27:30; Psalm 24:1; 50:10-12; Haggai 2:8.
3. Does “everything” include us? I Corinthians 6:19-20.
4. How does the Prophet Isaiah record this same thought? Isaiah 43:1-7.
5. How is it possible for us to obtain wealth? Deuteronomy 8:17-18.
6. Whom should we honor with our substance? Proverbs 3:9-10.
7. While we understand that we and everything else belongs to the Lord, what is required of us? Leviticus 27:30-32; Malachi 3:6-10.
8. What did Jesus say about tithing? Matthew 22:15-22; 23:23.
9. If one is poor and has little income, does he or she still tithe? II Corinthians 8:12; Mark 12:41-44.
10. What is the tithe used for today? Deuteronomy 14:22,29; 15:10; Malachi 3:10.

NOTE: The storehouse fed people with physical food. While helping the poor is a continuing good work, the tithe helps to get the spiritual food to the world.

Lesson For Sabbath, December 27, 2014

THE HEART

Scripture Reading: Psalm 51.

Golden Text: Proverbs 23:26.

1. What does the Prophet Jeremiah write about Judah’s heart and the heart in general? Jeremiah 17:1,9-10.

2. What did God see in man to cause Him to bring the Flood? Genesis 6:5.

NOTE: Man’s heart, without God, is deceitful and wicked.

3. How can this deceitful and wicked condition be changed? II Corinthians 3:1-3.

NOTE: The Holy Spirit will help us have the right heart which will direct our path correctly.

4. What did David ask of God? Psalm 51:10.

5. David writes about the “sacrifices of God.” What do we read? Psalm 51:17; 34:18; Isaiah 57:15.

6. What did the Lord tell Samuel when Samuel went to anoint David? I Samuel 16:4-7.

7. How did the Apostle Paul speak of David in his exhortation to the men of Israel? Acts 13:15-16, 21-22.

8. Why are treasure and heart mentioned in the same verse? Matthew 6:19-21.

9. Does the heart have anything to do with our conversation? Matthew 12:34-37.

10. Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord? Psalm 24:3-6.