

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.

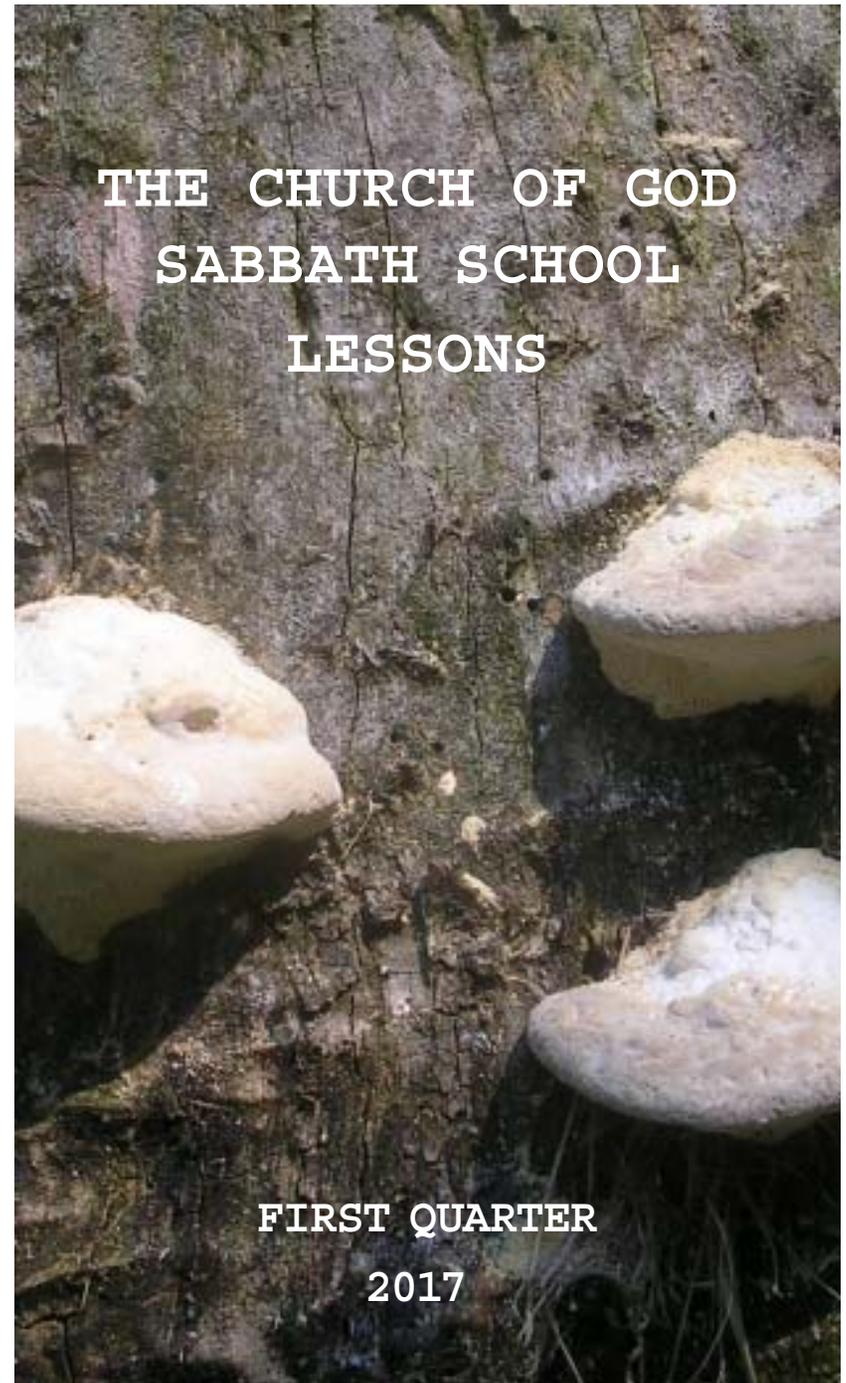
VI. Thou shalt not kill.

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

In many of our lessons we follow a theme. However, in this quarter we study various subjects so we might heed Paul's instruction to Timothy as found in II Timothy 2:15.

While we do not cover minerals this time, we do study some animals and vegetables. Weather and other conditions have had an impact in the Bible, in addition to special events and births. Let us learn all we can from God to make us better children so that we may "worship him in spirit and in truth."

Lesson For Sabbath, January 7, 2017

ANIMALS

Scripture Reading: Genesis 7.

Golden Text: Psalm 50:10-11.

1. From where did the creatures, cattle and creeping things come? Genesis 1:24-25; 2:19.
2. When God created man, did He let him have dominion over other parts of Creation? Genesis 1:26.
3. After the Flood, what do we learn? Genesis 8:14-20.
4. What else did God tell Noah? Genesis 9:1-2.
5. Was the rainbow covenant for only mankind? Genesis 9:8-13.
6. What animal is the centerpiece of Passover? Exodus 12:1-4.
7. Were animals part of the Exodus? Exodus 12:37-38.
8. What did Aaron and his sons have to do to start the priestly process? Exodus 29:1-4.
9. Order of the sacrifices:
 - Bullock - Exodus 29:10-14 (Sin Offering).
 - First Ram - Exodus 29:15-18 (Burnt Offering).
 - Second Ram - Exodus 29:19-22 (Ram of Consecration).
10. What became of the breast of the second ram? Exodus 29:26-28 (First part).

Lesson For Sabbath, January 14, 2017

BURDENS

Scripture Reading: Numbers 4:15-33.

Golden Text: Psalm 55:22.

NOTE: In Numbers we learn that burden is described as tribute or their responsibility, whereas in Psalms it is one's place in life. Strong's says "given by Providence" or one's "lot".

1. What did Jacob say about his son Issachar? Genesis 49:14-15.

NOTE: Their land was very fertile and they ended up paying tribute to marauding tribes attracted to their crops.

2. Did the Israelites build treasure cities for Pharaoh? Exodus 1:7-11.

3. Was Moses able to bear the burden of the people? Deuteronomy 1:10-14.

4. Did it take a lot of man power to build the temple? I Kings 5:13-15.

5. Were camels used to bear burdens? II Kings 8:7-9 (first part).

6. What animal was being used when Nehemiah visited Jerusalem? Nehemiah 13:15, 19.

7. Did God remove the burden from Israel? Psalm 81:4-7.

8. What did Jesus say when He extended His invitation? Matthew 11:28-30.

9. Why were the labourers upset with the householder? Matthew 20:1-2, 6-12.

10. How does Paul instruct the Galatians? Galatians 6:2-5.

Lesson For Sabbath, January 21, 2017

FISH

Scripture Reading: Jonah 1.

Golden Text: Leviticus 11:9.

1. What day of Creation week were fish brought forth? Genesis 1:20-23.

2. Like animals, was man to have dominion over the fish as well? Genesis 1:26; 9:2.

3. When the water was turned to blood in Egypt, what happened as a result? Exodus 7:14-18, 20-21.

4. Is it all right to worship an image of a fish? Deuteronomy 4:15-19.

5. In Jonah it reads that the Lord prepared a "great fish". What does Jesus say it was? Matthew 12:40.

6. Under Nehemiah's leadership, what gate did the sons of Haseanaah build? Nehemiah 3:3.

NOTE: Unger's Bible Dictionary states that fish were either brought through it or sold near it.

7. What was the occupation of Peter and Andrew? Matthew 4:18.

8. How did the Lord want to use this ability? Matthew 4:19.

9. What other miracles were connected with fish? Matthew 14:15-21; 15:34-39; 17:24-27.

10. After His resurrection, what food did Jesus eat on one occasion? Luke 24:36-43.

Lesson For Sabbath, January 28, 2017

WEATHER

Scripture Reading: Job 37.

Golden Text: Genesis 8:22.

1. Before the Flood, how did the Lord water the whole face of the ground? Genesis 2:4-6.
2. What caused Abram to go down to Egypt? Genesis 12:10.
3. Does Job have answers to the Lord's questions? Job 38:22-30.
4. When Jonah tried to flee unto Tarshish from the presence of the Lord, what happened? Jonah 1:3-4.
5. Was there a time when Jesus rebuked the winds and the sea? Matthew 8:23-27.
6. What example did Jesus use when the Pharisees and Sadducees tempted Him? Matthew 16:1-3.
7. Did Paul experience bad weather during his trip to Rome? Acts 27:1, 13-14, 18, 20.
8. What did God reveal to Joseph concerning Pharaoh's dream? Genesis 41:23-31, 32.
9. How did Elias' prayer affect the weather? James 5:17-18.
10. Is the Word of God compared with weather conditions? Isaiah 55:10-11.

Lesson For Sabbath, February 4, 2017

OTHER CONDITIONS

Scripture Reading: Numbers 16:1-21.

Golden Text: Romans 9:15.

1. When Korah spoke against Moses, what was his response? Numbers 16:28.
2. Did Moses explain that Korah and his family may not die a natural death? Numbers 16:29-30.
3. What happened? Numbers 16:31-32.

NOTE: This was not a natural earthquake but a miraculous act.

4. What will happen in the future? Matthew 24:3-7.
5. How is the return of Jesus described in the book of Zechariah? Zechariah 14:1-4.
6. When the prophet Elijah thought he was all alone, what miracles were performed? I Kings 19:8-12.
7. What events were connected to the translation of Elijah? II Kings 2:8-11.

NOTE: Another parting of waters and walking on dry ground, in addition to what most people know about Elijah.

8. Where do whirlwinds and the cold originate? Job 37:9; Isaiah 21:1; Zechariah 9:14.
9. We know we get the breath of life from God, but what else does His breath accomplish? Job 37:10.
10. Are the clouds subject to God's commands? Job 37:11-13.

Lesson For Sabbath, February 11, 2017

SPECIAL EVENTS AND OTHER MIRACLES

Scripture Reading: Joshua 6:1-20.

Golden Text: Luke 1:37.

1. If the people did what the Lord said, what would come to pass?
Joshua 6:5.

NOTE: Like this unusual event, we will study seemingly impossible or improbable situations.

2. What happened during the victory at Gibeon? Joshua 10:8-14.

3. Did Gideon ask the angel of the Lord, “where be all his miracles?”
Judges 6:12-13.

4. What was done for him? Judges 6:17, 19-21, 36-40.

5. When the Lord selected 300 men for battle, how is the enemy described? Judges 7:7, 12.

6. What did Gideon do to help win this battle? Judges 7:16-22.

7. Many people know about Samson and Delilah, but there were other things of note connected to him. Judges 15:3-5, 14-15, 18-20.

8. What happened when the tower at Babel was built? Genesis 11:1-9.

9. How does Pentecost differ from Babel? Acts 2:1-6.

10. Did Peter walk on water? Matthew 14:22-30.

NOTE: Peter represents us as he is strong for a while and then wavers. We need to continually ask the Lord for strength.

Lesson For Sabbath, February 18, 2017

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

Scripture Reading: Numbers 13:1-25.

Golden Text: Exodus 3:8.

1. How large was the cluster of grapes and what else did they bring?
Numbers 13:23.

2. What did Abigail prepare when she went to meet David? I Samuel 25:18.

3. When David found an Egyptian in the field, what helped to return the young man's spirit? I Samuel 30:9-12.

4. When the people complained, what did they remember of their captivity in Egypt? Numbers 11:5.

5. What was Hezekiah told to use on his boil? II Kings 20:5-7.

6. What was part of Jacob's blessing from his father Isaac? Genesis 27:26-28.

7. While Cain and Abel were brothers, were they both shepherds? Genesis 4:1-3.

8. When the seven years of plenty were ended in Egypt, what happened? Genesis 41:53-57.

9. Besides lamb and unleavened bread, what else was to be eaten at the Passover meal? Exodus 12:8.

10. What did Joel tell the people about the land? Joel 1:1-3, 10-12.

Lesson For Sabbath, February 25, 2017

LEPROSY

Scripture Reading: Luke 17:11-18.

Golden Text: Luke 17:19.

1. When the Lord told Moses to lead Israel to the Promised Land, what do we learn? Exodus 4:1-7.

2. What instructions were given to Moses and Aaron about leprosy? Leviticus 13:1-3.

NOTE: More instructions follow in chapter 13.

3. After determining a person leprous, what was to be done? Leviticus 13:44-46.

4. What happened when Aaron and Miriam murmured against their brother Moses? Numbers 12:1-10.

5. Was Miriam healed? Numbers 12:11-15.

6. Who was Naaman? II Kings 5:1.

7. What did Elisha tell him to do for his leprosy? II Kings 5:9-14; Luke 4:27.

8. What happened to Uzziah the King? II Chronicles 26:16-21.

9. Where was Jesus when Mary anointed Him? Matthew 26:1-2; Mark 14:3.

10. What news was John the Baptist to be told? Luke 5:12-13; 7:20-23.

Lesson For Sabbath, March 4, 2017

VARIOUS ARKS

Scripture Reading: Exodus 25:1-22.

Golden Text: Hebrews 11:7.

1. Why was Noah told to build the ark? Genesis 6:8-14.

2. How big was the ark? Genesis 6:15-16.

3. After the Flood, where did the ark come to rest? Genesis 8:1-4.

4. What did the King of Egypt tell the Hebrew midwives? Exodus 1:15-16.

5. How was Moses saved? Exodus 2:1-3.

6. Who rescued him? Exodus 2:4-10.

NOTE: Of course, we must credit the Lord with watching over the baby Moses.

7. What special piece was to be made for the tabernacle? Exodus 25:10-11.

8. What was important about the mercy seat? Exodus 25:22.

9. What were the people to do when the ark was moved? Joshua 3:1-3.

10. When Solomon built the temple, what do we learn and what miraculous event took place? I Kings 8:1, 4, 9-11.

NOTE: The tables of stone were still in the ark, under the mercy seat, where the Lord communed with the High Priest. See Exodus 25:22 again.

Lesson For Sabbath, March 11, 2017

SPECIAL BIRTHS

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 7:1-14.

Golden Text: Isaiah 55:8.

NOTE: While some of the following births were natural, circumstances around them may not have been.

1. How were Adam and Eve “born”? Genesis 2:7, 18, 21-22.
2. What was unusual about Jacob’s birth? Genesis 25:19-26; Hosea 12:2-3.
3. Who are the sons of Joseph? Genesis 46:20; 48:1-5.
4. Because the Hebrew midwives feared God, what did they tell Pharaoh? Exodus 1:17-21.

NOTE: God provided protection for certain babies, like Moses and Jesus, because there were those that sought to kill them.

5. Was Hannah able to have children? I Samuel 1:1-2, 5.
6. Did she make a vow? I Samuel 1:10-11, 19-20; 2:21.
7. Were Jacob and Israel chosen? Isaiah 44:1-2, 24.
8. What do we read about Jeremiah? Jeremiah 1:1-5.
9. After Jesus was born, what happened? Matthew 2:13-18.
10. Was John the Baptist's birth miraculous? Luke 1:5-7, 11-13.

Lesson for Sabbath, March 18, 2017

TREES

Scripture Reading: Genesis 2:1-17.

Golden Text: Genesis 1:29.

1. What two trees were created by God that we do not find on the earth today? Genesis 2:8-9.
2. What was the Lord God’s instructions concerning these two trees? Genesis 2:15-17.
3. How did the serpent approach this subject? Genesis 3:1.

NOTE: Satan made it sound like God held back, when it was not so.

4. After they ate of the tree that was forbidden, what did the Lord say? Genesis 3:22.
5. Will man have an opportunity to partake of the tree of life in the future? Revelation 2:7; 22:14.
6. How is Jericho described? Deuteronomy 34:3.
7. What did the Israelites find at Elim? Exodus 15:27.
8. In the gospel of Luke, where does Jesus find Zacchaeus? Luke 19:1-5, read also 6-10.
9. Under what kind of tree did Saul wait, while Jonathan went over to the Philistines' garrison? I Samuel 14:1-2.
10. What trees are mentioned when David was going against the Philistines? II Samuel 5:23-24.
11. What will happen to the trees in Revelation 8 and verse 7?

Lesson For Sabbath, March 25, 2017

PLANTS, FLOWERS AND HERBS

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 35.

Golden Text: Matthew 6:30.

NOTE: Various references indicate that some of the plants, spices, and flowers that are used in the Bible may not be exactly what we refer to today. For our study we will accept the verses to be close to our understanding.

1. When did plant life first appear? Genesis 1:9-13.
 2. During the wheat harvest, what did Reuben find? Genesis 30:14; Song of Solomon 7:13.
 3. How is the candlestick described? Exodus 25:31-34.
 4. When Solomon started to build the temple what are we told about the cedar? I Kings 6:17-18, 29.
 5. How were the doors decorated? I Kings 6:31-32.
 6. Where did Jokim, and the men of Chozeba, dwell? I Chronicles 4:22-23.
- NOTE: Scripture seems to indicate they took care of the landscape.*
7. In the Song of Solomon, how is the orchard described? Song of Solomon 4:13.
 8. When Jesus criticized the Pharisees, what spices are mentioned? Matthew 23:23.
 9. What flowers are named when Jesus talks about raiment? Matthew 6:28-29.
 10. To what does Christ compare the Kingdom in Mark 4:30-32?

Lesson For Sabbath, April 1, 2017

THERE ARE MANY CROWNS

Scripture Reading: Revelation 14:1-16.

Golden Text: Psalm 103:4.

1. Were instructions given to put a crown on the ark of the covenant? Exodus 25:10-11.
2. Did Aaron the High Priest have a crown? Exodus 28:36-38; 29:6.
3. How was the altar to burn incense described? Exodus 30:1-4. The table of shewbread? Exodus 37:10-12.
4. What is said about the anointing oil and the High Priest? Leviticus 21:10-12.
5. How was Jesus mocked by the soldiers? Matthew 27:26-29; Mark 15:16-18.
6. What does true ministry seek? I Corinthians 9:19-25.
7. Paul tells Timothy that he fought the good fight and something is "laid up for" him; what is it? II Timothy 4:7-8.
8. If a man endureth temptation, what can he receive? James 1:12.
9. What do the 24 elders do with their crowns? Revelation 4:4, 9-11.
10. How is Jesus described at His second coming? Revelation 19:11-16 (note verse 12).