

Living by Design: 10 Commandments

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Ice Breaker – How do you most naturally express love to the people you care about?

Key Scripture: [Exodus 20:1-21](#)

And God spoke all these words: ²“I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery. ³“You shall have no other gods before me. ⁴“You shall not make for yourself an image in the form of anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the waters below. ⁵You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the parents to the third and fourth generation of those who hate me, ⁶but showing love to a thousand generations of those who love me and keep my commandments.

Big Idea:

God designed us with a purpose, and He gave us the Ten Commandments as the foundation for living in right relationship with Him and with others. They are not rules to restrict us but a design for life that leads to freedom, blessing, and flourishing.

Digging Deeper:

- How have you seen the foundation of God’s Word strengthen your life (or where do you feel cracks in your foundation)?
- Why do you think God gave the commandments AFTER He set Israel free?
- How can our community reflect God’s design and bring blessing to others by living out these commandments?
- Jesus summed up the commandments with two: Love God and love others (Matthew 22:37–40). Which one do you need to grow in right now?
- What’s one practical way you can “commit your works to the Lord” this week (Proverbs 16:3)?

Prayer

- Thank God for designing our lives with purpose.
- Ask for God to help us to love Him and love others well.
- Pray that we would commit our works to the Lord.
- Share prayer needs and pray over them together.