

TOP TEN The Ten Commandments

REFLECT | Week 9 | Exodus 20

- 1. When you hear the term "Ten Commandments" what is your first thought and feeling?
- 2. Are these thoughts and feelings positive or negative? Why do you think people struggle to receive rules and commandments?
- 3. Of what does God remind Israel in 20:1? Why does God do this before sharing the Ten Commandments?
- 4. Why is this a pinnacle moment in Israel's history?
- Commandments 1–4 and 5–10 point to different places? Do you notice this? Why could these differences be helpful for us to understand? See Matthew 22:36–40.
- 6. State each of the Commandments in your own words. Share how keeping them builds your relationship with God and others and how not keeping them can diminish both.
- 7. Do you relate to 20:20? What does "the fear of God" mean to you? How does it, or has it, shaped your life?



RESPOND Each day this week, use the Ten Commandments as a prayer guide. Ask God to help you notice places you fall short and celebrate places you are growing.

RESOURCE | Visit the Bible Project on YouTube and watch the *Purpose of the Old Testament Law of Moses* video.

READ | Exodus 26–28



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