

Commandment #1 - Exodus 20:1-3

INTRODUCTION: The 10 Commandments are a “love letter” from God.

- God gave them to us for our GOOD, as guidelines for right & wrong.
- They are COMMANDMENTS, not “suggestions”.

- God’s 1st Commandment had to do with Himself – **Matthew 22:34-40**

- God is a jealous God – **Exodus 20:5**

- **We wouldn’t ever want another “god”, if we realized:**

1.- God Has Awesome Power – Ephesians 3:20

- God had just delivered them from Egyptian bondage – unthinkable!
- God has delivered us from the bondage of SIN, and deserves to be FIRST in our lives.

2.- God Wants First Priority

- A “god” is anything we put ahead of GOD in our lives.
- The Ephesians didn’t put God first – **Revelation 2:4**
- You have another “god” if anything is keeping you from loving and serving GOD.
- **Proverbs 3:5-6** – Put God FIRST, and He will guide your path.

3.- God Has A Personal Plan For You

- He can accomplish it only if you make Him FIRST in your life – **Matthew 6:33**
- God wants you to make yourself His responsibility – **1 Peter 5:6-7**
- **Matthew 6:31-32** – WORRY lets you know that you’re not making God FIRST in your life.

CONCLUSION:

- Remember what God has done for you.
- Any other “god” is inferior to Him.
- God has proven Himself over and over again.
- Commit yourself to Him.