

# THE Story

## Lesson 10 Chapter 5 New Commands p. 59-62

1. How were the people to prepare themselves to meet with God? (p.59-61)

2. Try to imagine what it would be like if there were no traffic laws, no signs and no stop lights!

The Ten Commandments (p. 61-62) are the basic "rules for the road" how people should relate to God and to each other. Why is it so important that we view the Ten Commandments as coming from One who ultimately wants the best for us?

3. Try putting in your own words the essential message of each of the Ten Commandments:

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4. How do Paul's words in Romans 3:19-20, 23 & 6:23 help us understand the ultimate purpose of the law and our need for a Savior?

<sup>19</sup> Now we know that whatever the law says, it says to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced and the whole world held accountable to God.<sup>20</sup> Therefore no one will be declared righteous in God's sight by the works of the law; rather, **through the law we become conscious of our sin.... For we have all sinned and fall short of the glory of God....For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

5. How do the words found in Matthew 22:34-40 provide us with a different perspective on the Ten Commandments?

<sup>34</sup> Hearing that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, the Pharisees got together. <sup>35</sup> One of them, an expert in the law, tested him with this question: <sup>36</sup> "Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?" <sup>37</sup> Jesus replied: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.'

<sup>38</sup> This is the first and greatest commandment. <sup>39</sup> And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' <sup>40</sup> All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments."

6. How would our lives and faith improve if we sought daily to "love the Lord our God with all our heart and soul and mind and love our neighbor as ourselves"?