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Fellowship News

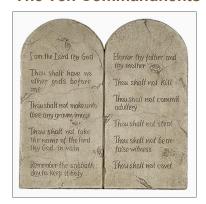
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Morning Service 10:30 am Communion service held on the first Sunday of the month.

The Ten Commandnents



Relevant Texts
Exodus 20, Matthew 22:36-40

The 10 Commandments God's Revelation in the Old Testament

The 10 Commandments are found in the Old Testament in Exodus, Chapter 20. They were given directly by God to the people of Israel at Mount Sinai after He had delivered them from slavery in Egypt:

"And God spoke all these words, saying: 'I am the LORD your God...

ONE: 'You shall have no other gods before Me.'

TWO: 'You shall not make for yourself a carved image--any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth.'

THREE: 'You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain.'

FOUR: 'Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.'

FIVE: 'Honor your father and your mother.' SIX: 'You shall not murder.'

SEVEN: 'You shall not commit adultery.'

EIGHT: 'You shall not steal.'

NINE: 'You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.'

TEN: 'You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, nor his male servant, nor his female servant, nor his ox, nor his donkey, nor anything that is your neighbor's.'

The 10 Commandments Christ's Summation in the New Testament

About 1,400 years later, the 10 Commandments were summed up in the New Testament in Matthew 22, when Jesus was confronted by the religious "experts" of the day: "Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?" Jesus replied: "'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments" (Matthew 22:36-40).

A reflective reading of Christ's teaching reveals that the first four commandments given to the children of Israel are contained in the statement: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind." It continues that the last six commandments are enclosed in the statement: "Love your neighbor as your-self."

21 Yet this I call to mind and therefore I have hope:

22 Because of the LORD's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail.

Lamentations 3:21-22

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By Rev Tim Skillman

About the ninth hour Jesus cried out in a loud voice, "Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani?" - which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" (Matthew 27:46)

I can never fully comprehend the incredible sacrifice and achievement of the Cross. It simply amazes me how the King of the Universe lay down His life for each one of us and paid the ultimate price for our sin. Even sitting down for a few moments to consider His sacrifice should lead us to at least a 'humble adoration'. May I suggest that Jesus deserves more than just a few moments of our time and adoration this Easter?

On March 11th Rev Glen Graham took the funeral for Denis Battin who admirably reflected upon Denis' life and brought comfort to the family. Pauline appreciates all your love and support during this time. Unfortunately, David Discombe is really struggling with his health and is looking quite ill. Denis King had a bad fall on the Pastors steps ('Weren't my fault Gov—honest!') ... but seriously, Denis dislocated his left shoulder and quite badly bruised his diaphragm and still has some difficulty breathing. Ann has also been laid out for the past week or so with a bad back. Please remember these folk in prayer as well as Ros, Sandra, Helen, Kate, Peggy, Marjorie, Les, Doreen and Doris (that doesn't leave many of us who are well!). May be you can give them a word of encouragement over the phone to let them know you care. Remember, it's Enid's 80th and Doris Wood's, 98th this April!

Over the past couple of weeks Denis and I have been busy video interviewing key people in the village as to what Malborough was like in the 1930's. It's amazing to find out that circus elephants were given water along their trek to Salcombe, that there were three special May days (you'll find out more!) and even a terrible murder of a family in 1932. A big thank you to all those who have taken part so far. This is going to be a video to remember! Lent studies on the Cross were well attended from both churches and ended with a final session with hot cross buns (provided by the honourable DK). Meetings were often deep and thoughtful leaving a lasting impression.

A big 'Thank you' to Brian and Janice who were spotted cutting and cleaning the church grounds last week. Your work is much appreciated. In fact everyone who has been cleaning, preparing flowers and doing coffee should be awarded with our praise and gratitude. Lastly, some final details on events this month:

March 28th, Palm Sunday Praise & Prayer with 'Chosen' from Plymouth and Joe Sterry at 6.30-7.30pm **April 2nd, Good Friday**, 10.30am Morning service and Communion

12.00pm Churches together on Kingsbridge Quay with Kirby Haye

April 4th, Easter Sunday, 11.00am service with Communion followed by an invitation to celebrate Enid's 80th.

Blessing

May the grace of Christ our Saviour, And the Father's boundless love. With the Holy Spirit's favour, Rest on us from above.

Services

April

1030 Rev T Skillman Good Friday Easter Sunday 1100 Rev T Skillman

11th Mr D King 18th Rev T Skillman

25th Mr M Young

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2nd Rev T Skillman



Flowers

April

4th

Mr R Parsons

18th Mrs M Hallworth

Mrs R Sanders

Hoovering

11th Easter

April

3rd Gill Sterry 10th Mrs S Jones 17th Ms J Brown 24th Mrs E Putt

May

1st Mrs P Discombe





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