

## A Study of 1 John

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## Lesson 7: "3rd Test: Obedience to God's Commands" 1 John 2:2-2:6

What are some of God's commands? We are going to look at a few and see why they are so important.

a) Let's first look at the Great Commission in Matthew 28:19-20, "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Why is this command so important? How are the words He uses in this text different from the Social Gospel where it's all about works? Contrasting those two ideas, what are some creative ways to share the Gospel?

- b) Mark 10:19 tells us the following, "You know the commandments: 'Do not murder, Do not commit adultery, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Do not defraud, Honor your father and mother."
  - In looking at these commands, which two did Jesus say if you do them in your heart and mind, you were guilty of the same sin? (see answers at the bottom)
- c) In Luke 4:12, it says "And Jesus answered and said to him, "It is said, 'YOU SHALL NOT PUT THE LORD YOUR GOD TO THE TEST."

What Old Testament passage is Jesus quoting here? (see answers at the bottom) Read the verses 16-25 and see how following the commands of God are vital to a Christian's life.

## Answers---

Do not murder, Do not commit adultery. Christ said that even hating your brother is the same as murder. And by looking at lust is the same as adultery.

Deuteronomy 6:16