

10 Commandments

Starting 18 January



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- ▶ We all function better where there are boundaries
- ▶ God designed us with 2 commandments in mind

Matt 22:35-40

35 One of them, an expert in the law, tested him with this question: 36 "Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?"

37 Jesus replied: "'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' 38 This is the first and greatest commandment. 39 And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' 40 All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments."

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Gen 2:4-6

When the LORD God made the earth and the heavens-- 5 and no shrub of the field had yet appeared on the earth and no plant of the field had yet sprung up, for the LORD God had not sent rain on the earth and there was no man to work the ground, 6 but streams came up from the earth and watered the whole surface of the ground

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Gen 3:17-19

To Adam he said, "Because you listened to your wife and ate from the tree about which I commanded you, 'You must not eat of it,'

"Cursed is the ground because of you; through painful toil you will eat of it all the days of your life.

18 It will produce thorns and thistles for you, and you will eat the plants of the field.

19 By the sweat of your brow you will eat your food until you return to the ground, since from it you were taken; for dust you are and to dust you will return."

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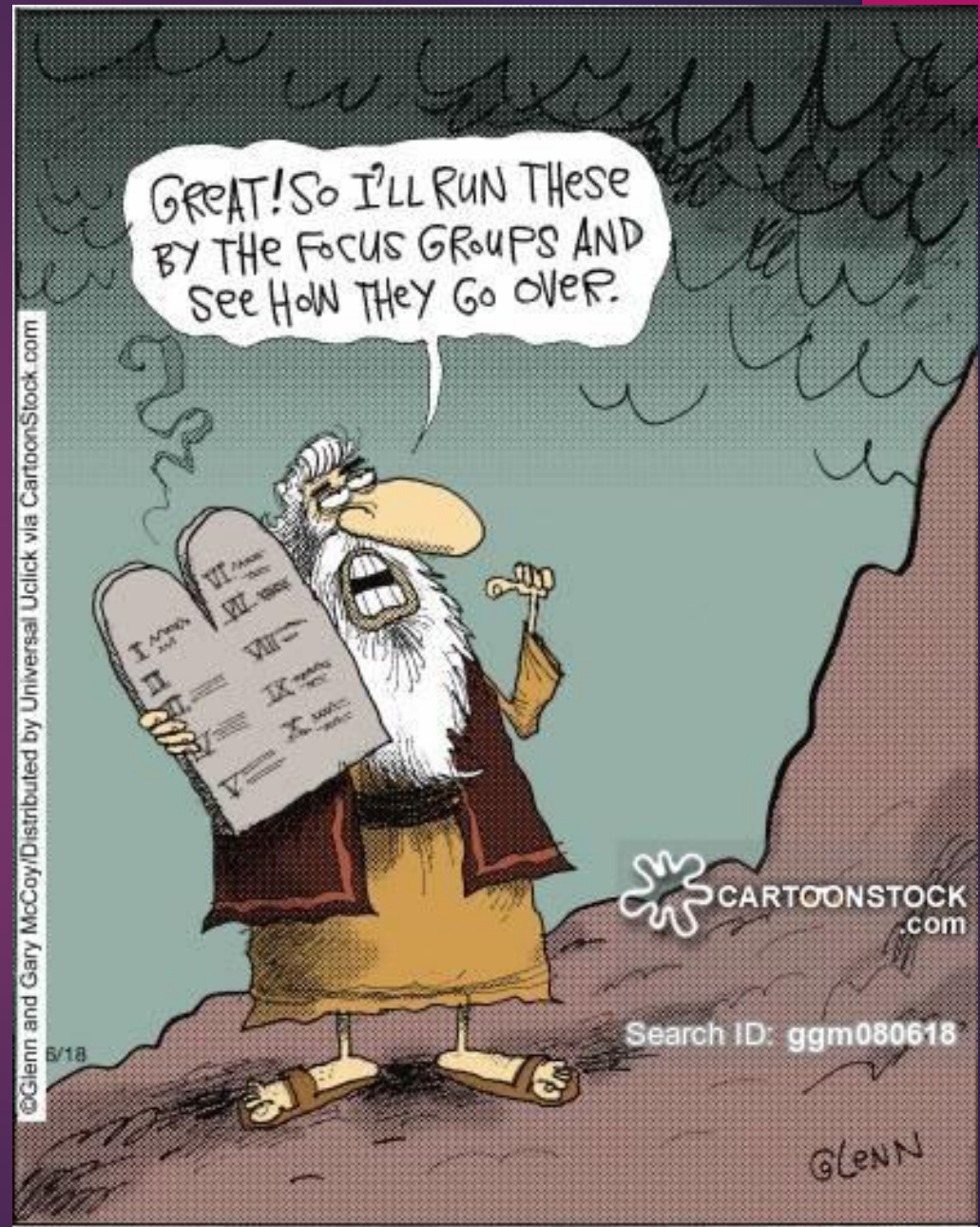
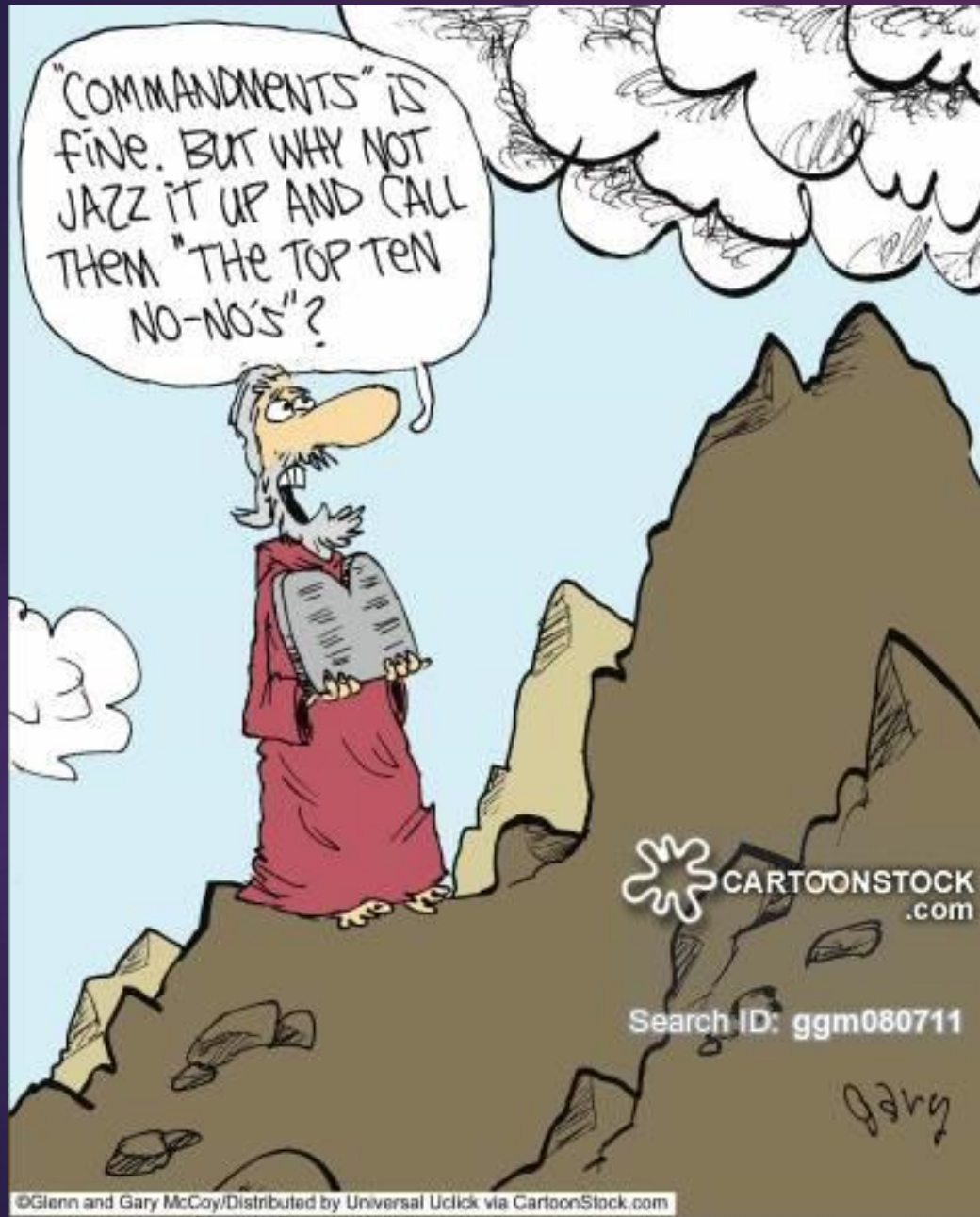
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▶ Noah

Gen 6:18 But I will establish my covenant with you, and you will enter the ark--you and your sons and your wife and your sons' wives with you.

▶ Abraham

Gen 17:7 I will establish my covenant as an everlasting covenant between me and you and your descendants after you for the generations to come, to be your God and the God of your descendants after you



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- ▶ The first four commandments deal with our relationship with God.
- ▶ The last six commandments deal with our relationships with one another.
- ▶ Terms of a covenant
- ▶ Exodus 15:26
- ▶ Deuteronomy 28
- ▶ If we aren't in covenant with God, we don't need to observe them

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- ▶ 1) You shall have no other gods.
- ▶ 2) You shall make no idols.
- ▶ 3) You shall not use the name of the Lord in vain.
- ▶ 4) You shall honour the Sabbath.
- ▶ 5) You shall honour your parents.
- ▶ 6) You shall not commit murder.
- ▶ 7) You shall not commit adultery.
- ▶ 8) You shall not steal.
- ▶ 9) You shall not bear false witness.
- ▶ 10) You shall not covet.

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- ▶ We see them as inhibitors
- ▶ God sees them as boundaries placed for our protection
- ▶ They are an expression of His character and will
- ▶ They are an expression of His good nature and His great wisdom
- ▶ There is a positive and negative to each command
 - ▶ So we must NOT do something and we MUST DO the opposite
 - ▶ There is no avoiding anything. Doing nothing has no gain

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- ▶ Observing the Commandments does not get us into heaven
- ▶ It is IMPOSSIBLE to fulfil them
- ▶ We need God's help
- ▶ We got Jesus... a better deliverer than Moses
- ▶ He puts His laws in our Hearts and He give us the ability to keep them