

LPC NOVEMBER 2017 NEWSLETTER

We are a family of Believers, glorifying God, welcoming new members from near and far, learning to love God and neighbor.

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS KING JAMES VERSION, NOTES FROM THE COMPANION BIBLE

EXODUS 20. 1-17. THE COVENANT STATED. "THE TEN WORDS"

A|2,3. Commands I and II- Thought. = "The Lord Thy God."

B|4-6. Command III- Word. = "

C|7-12. Commands IV and V- Deed. = "

C|13-15. Commands VI, VII, and VIII- Deeds. = "Thou."

B|16. Command IX- Word. = "

A|17. Command X- Thought. = "

Here, the three subjects, Thought, Word, and Deed, are repeated in the second table in reverse order.

The law given in Arabia. The same country witnessed the giving of Mahomet's Law.

The moral law given in public at Horeb. Cp. (compare) Mal. 4.4.

The ceremonial law given to Moses in the Tabernacle.

The judicial law given at sundry times; neither so public and solemn as the former, nor so private as the latter.

20 And God spake all these words, saying,

20.1 "God spake". Heb. (Hebrew) Elohim: hence of universal application. Cp. Heb. 1.1. Deut. 4. 12. Heb. 12. 26; &c. &c. Not Jehovah, for this title would have limited the law to Israel.

"all these words". It has been asserted that there are three strata of law in the Pentateuch:-

1. The Prophetic code. Ex. 20-23 and 34. 17-26.

2. The Priest code. Rest of Ex., Lev., and Num.

3. The Deuteronomy code.

But the structures of these books, displayed above, show that these were all in perfect order, spoken "at sundry times and in diverse manners".

The Ten Commandments divided by Christ into two (tables), Duty to God and Neighbor (Matt.22. 37-40). Divided by man into four and six. By Roman Catholics (in their Catechism) the second is joined to the first, and the tenth is divided into two. But this is impossible: see the structure of Com. X on v. 17, p. 101.

The structure of the whole divides them into 5 + 5, the number of Grace. For there was grace in the law, seeing no other nation was favoured with it. Moreover, the first five are linked together by the words "the Lord thy God", the second five by the word Thou".

"saying". The Ten Commandments begin, therefore, with v. 2.

(1.)2 "I am the Lord thy God, Which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.

"the Lord (Heb. Jehovah) thy God." This must go with Com. I, or we should not have the five repetitions of it in the first five.

3 Thou shalt have no other gods before Me.

3. "before Me"- before My face.

(11.) 4 Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth:

4 "make". The making is equally forbidden as the worshipping.

"graven image". Heb. pesel, a sculpture.

5 Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the Lord thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate Me;

5. "jealous"- zealous

"God". El.

"visiting"- charging. This burden of God's revelation of Himself reappears in Ex. 34. 6,7. Num. 14. 18 Deut. 5. 9,10. The punishment being not lengthened in vengeance, but distributed in mercy over the third and fourth, so that the whole weight falls not on the first or second.

"iniquity"- Heb. avon.

"children"- sons.

6And showing mercy unto thousands of them that love Me, and keep My commandments.

(III.)7Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain; for the Lord will not hold him guiltless that taketh His name in vain.

7. "take the name...in vain". Much more important than the mere mispronunciation of the Name.

(IV.)8Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy.

8."Remember". Because already hallowed, and command given. ...notes on Gen.8. 5, 10, 12, 14. The Babylonians had a seventh- day rest, doubtless from Gen. 2. 2,3: not this from Babylonians. Note the structure of the longest commandment:-

20. 8-11 THE FOURTH COMMANDMENT

C|D|8.To be remembered and kept by man.

Man (command).

E|x|9. The six days for man's work.

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y|10. Seventh for man's rest.

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E|x|11-. Six days for Jehovah's work

y|-11. Seventh for Jehovah's rest.

God (reason)

D|-11. Sabbath blessed and hallowed by Jehovah.

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9Six days shalt thou labor, and do all thy work:

9."labor". The Heb. accent (zarka) marks this word for emphasis; implying that the fourth Commandment is twofold, and no seventh-day rest can be really enjoyed without, or apart from, the six days of labour.

10But the seventh day is the sabbath of the Lord thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates:

10."any". i.e. not any forbidden work. Cp. Lev. 23. 7,8. Num. 28. 18.

"nor". for emphasis.

"thy manservant". Some codices,read "nor thy manservant".

"gates". Put ...for cities.

11For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it.

11."made"- took to make.

"the sea". Sam., Onk., Jon., Sept., and Syr. read "and the sea".

(V.)12Honour thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.

12."Honour". This completes the first five, and ends with "promise" (Eph. 6. 2). These five, that relate to piety, are thus separated from the five that relate to probity. The first and fifth begin and end with honour to God, and to our parents whom He honours. They have nothing to do with our "neighbours".

(VI.)13Thou shalt not kill.

(VII.)¹⁴Thou shalt not commit adultery.

(VIII.)¹⁵Thou shalt not steal.

(IX.)¹⁶Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour.

(X.)¹⁷Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is thy neighbor's."

17. The structure of Commandment X shows that it cannot be divided, except as follows:-

A c Thy neighbor's house	(General)
d Wife, servant, maid (human)	(Particular)
d Ox and ass (animal)	
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c Anything that is thy neighbour's	(General)

SPECIAL PRAYERS

*Our Church and Its Members *Stanley White Church and Its members *LPC's
Mission Study Group *L. H. Roberson *Agnes Atkins *Bobbie Gregory
*Harrison West

*Ann Currin *Kitty Perkinson *Joe T. Echols Family *Stephen Shirk *Clyde
Harris

*Believers Around the World *Our Service Folks Around the World *The Peace of
Jerusalem

NOTES

~Operation Christmas Child- Boxes are due November 12th. We plan to pack them during fellowship on Nov. 12th. If you have a shoebox after the 12th (but by Nov. 20th) you may take it to Enterprise Baptist Church. Donations will be accepted for the boxes -and

money-\$9. per box.

~Yard sale and Stew- November 11th If you can help come at 7:30 or 8:00 am on Sat. Tommy Clark and Robbie Williford will be making stews. Most stew will be prepay and preorder. See Wanda Clark to order. If you want to help organize yard sale items see Jo Anne Daniels.

~Jo Anne Daniels got azalias for the fellowship hall. Philip Alston brought in dirt and has them planted. He also put pine straw around them.

~We will be getting poiseettias (18) from Lassiter's. They will be \$11.00 if you would like to buy one.

~Philip Alston agreed to get LPC's Christmas float together again with help from his family.

~LPC's Open House and " hanging of the greens" is planned for December 2nd when Littleton's Christmas parade takes place. If you can bring goodies to serve, please do so. You may watch the parade in front of the church.

~The church is soliciting members to be on the nominating committee. There will be a congregational meeting November 26th after service for this purpose. And on December 3rd there will be a congregational meeting to elect elders.

~Our Christmas service will be on Dec. 24th at morning worship. If you would like to attend an evening service Joe Sandoval has invited those who are interested to attend First Presbyterian Church 's in Roanoke Rapids.

~Communion- December 3rd and December 24th

~Session Meetings- Each month on the 4th Monday at 7 o'clock pm (except Dec.)

~Please volunteer for flowers, fellowship, and ushering for 2018 and sign up on the sheet in front.

November 2017

BIRTHDAYS: 1st- George Heinlein 8th- Ed Kirkland 15th- John Williams 16- Sallie Acai

21st- Chris Skinner 23rd- Marianne West 24th- Kristina Seward

VOLUNTEERS: Flowers- The Williams Fellowship- The Williams Usher- ?

5 Sun. 9:30am Worship Led by Chuck Wiessner

7 Tues. Election Day

11 Sat. Veteran's Day

8:00am - 12:00am Yard Sale, Stew Sale

12 Sun. 9:30am Worship Led by John Clark, Fellowship, Pack
shoeboxes

19 Sun. 9:30am Worship Led by Michelle Moseley

23 Thurs. Thanksgiving Day

26 Sun. 9:30am Worship Led by Andy James, Congregational Meeting

27 Mon. 7:00pm Session Meeting