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His Word Is Truth!

This is the first article in a 10 part series on *The 10 Commandments*. Today's article will examine the 1st Commandment: "You shall have no other gods before Me!"

However, before we get into the 1st Commandment we need to understand the historical setting of The 10 Commandments in God's plan of salvation. In the book of Exodus we read how God used Moses to lead Abraham's descendants out of Egypt (see Exodus 1:1-18:27). After leaving Egypt

God's people eventually end list of some of the ways James 2:10!

up at Mount Sinai (see God's people of that time Therefore, we can never be the Virgin Mary so that He sin against the 10 Exodus 19:1-25) where God were tempted to break the 1st saved by trying to keep the 10 might save us from our sin Commandments and trust in uses Moses to give His people Commandment. *However, we Commandments. In fact, against God through His Jesus alone as your Savior what are known as The 10 do the same when we trust in trusting in your "good perfect life and His death on (see Romans 7:21-25 & 1st Commandments (see Exodus the false gods of man-made works" for salvation is simply the Cross (see Galatians 3:6-20:1-17).*

The original religions! But is this the another form of idolatry! In 14 & 4:4-5). Jesus, who was perfect and in us a desire to obey God's Hebrew actually speaks of the ONLY way we break this Galatians chapter 3 Paul Jesus, who was perfect and in us a desire to obey God's 10 Teachings or the 10 Commandment? In his Large says: "All who rely on sinless (see Hebrews 4:14- will and speak His Truth to Words. In fact, the Hebrew Catechism Martin Luther observing the Law are 16), died on the Cross to others. Only Jesus can give tradition labels Exodus 20:2 writes the following about the under a curse." Simply put, suffer the curse you deserve us new hearts that strive to as the 1st "Teaching": "I meaning of the 1st we mock God all the more if for not keeping God's 10 keep the 1st Commandment! am the Lord your God, who Commandment: "Anything we deny our sin and claim Commandments. Jesus then Confess your sin and trust in brought you out of the Land on which your heart relies that we deserve His blessing rose from the dead and now Him today!"

of slavery." This "Teaching" and depends, I say, that is (see 1 John 1:8 & 10). Our lives as your Savior who will only hope is that God would return one day in power and do something about our sin, glory (see 1st Thessalonians 4:13-18 & 2nd Peter 3:3-18). Simply put, we are guilty of having many "false gods" and He has! In Galatians 4:13-18 & 2nd Peter 3:3-18). Our lives as your Savior who will only hope is that God would return one day in power and do something about our sin, glory (see 1st Thessalonians 4:13-18 & 2nd Peter 3:3-18).

What most Christians food, clothes, alcohol, drugs, redeemed us from the curse Commandments to show us recognize as the "1st sex, recreation, work, science, of the Law by becoming a our sin so that we can believe Commandment" is found in friends and even family. curse for us, for it is the Good News that Jesus is shall have no other gods more than GOD is a false everyone who is hung on a damnation (see Romans 3:19- before Me." Why did God god. Therefore, the 1st tree!" 31)!

give us this Commandment? Commandment exposes the Over 400 years before God When the Holy Spirit uses God wants us to trust in Him fact that we do not love God gave the 10 Commandments His Word to convict us of sin alone as our Creator and nor do we trust Him as we God promised Abraham that and give us faith in Jesus, we Savior. Sadly, we sinners should. We are ALL all nations would be blessed then have new hearts that turn reject the True God. Instead, idolaters! Since we can't through his Descendant (see from sin and rejoice in living we sinners love and serve keep the 1st Commandment, Genesis 12:1-3 & Galatians according to God's will (see false gods of our own we can't keep the rest of the 3:16-24). This "Descendant" Romans 12:1-2 & Titus 2:11- making. Exodus 20:4-6 is a Commandments either (see is none other than God's 14). Being a Christian means

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Pastor Eckstein
will continue the series on
The 10 Commandments
with the 2nd Commandment:
"You shall not misuse
the Name of the Lord
your God."

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