



WINTER 2021

DISCIPLESHIP CHALLENGE

Four writers tell the good news about Jesus. Mark, the shortest gospel, reveals Jesus as the servant-king who came to suffer and die, but rise triumphantly over the grave. The Gospel of Mark is a call to action—for all people to understand Jesus' identity and surrender to his royal authority over their lives.

Complete this discipleship challenge by **March 21, 2021** to receive **XX** tokens.

There are two ways to return your completed Discipleship Challenge.
Pick the one that works best for your family:

1. Bring the completed Discipleship Challenge to the KidPix store.
2. Have a parent sign this page and email a picture of this page to KidPix@wearecentral.org.

Parent signature: _____

(By signing this page, I certify that my child has completed the Winter 2021 Discipleship Challenge.)

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GLIMPSE OF GLORY

Jesus took three of His disciples—Peter, James and John—to the top of a high mountain to pray. Something amazing happened there. Jesus transfigured, or changed His appearance, right before their eyes. They were given a unique opportunity to get a glimpse of Jesus' glory!



Read
Mark 9:2-13

- Describe what you think Jesus looks like:
- When Jesus changed His appearance, what did He look like?
- Who else was standing with Jesus when He changed?
- Whose voice do you think came from the cloud? What did it say?

On the Mountain Top—Decoder Puzzle

Each number represents a letter of the alphabet.
Substitute the correct letter for the numbers to reveal the coded words.

P	U	D	J	B	H	K	Y	E	C	X	N	I	Z	L	T	A	Q	V	G	R	O	M	S	W	F
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- 6-13-20-6 _____
- 23-22-2-12-16-17-13-12 _____
- 10-15-22-16-6-9-24 _____
- 10-15-22-2-3 _____
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- 23-22-24-9-24 _____
- 19-22-13-10-9 _____
- 15-22-19-9 _____
- 4-9-24-2-24 _____
- 20-22-22-3 _____

VOICE	HIGH	GOOD	MOUNTAIN	WHITE
JESUS	MOSES	CLOTHES	LOVE	CLOUD

LISTEN TO HIM!

God had a message for the three disciples and for us: Listen to Jesus! In the Bible, Jesus tells us very important information about how to live. He tells about being saved and going to heaven, how to treat others, and how we can show God we love Him. But we must do more than just read what Jesus says...we must listen and obey Him!

- Who are people in your life that you listen to?
- What rules do you have at home...things you are allowed to do and not allowed to do?
- Why do we follow rules?
- If you were in charge at your house, what would your rules be and why?

<h2>School or Home Rule?</h2> <p>If the statement shows a rule you have at <i>home</i>, color it yellow. If it shows a rule you have at <i>school</i>, color it purple. if it shows a rule in your <i>community</i>, color is green.</p>			
Raise your hand to talk.	Take out the garbage.	No stealing.	Pick up your toys when you are done playing with them.
No speeding.	Listen to your teacher.	Stop at a red light.	Stand in a line.
No littering.	Work quietly.	Go to bed at 8:30 pm.	Be nice to your brother or sister.

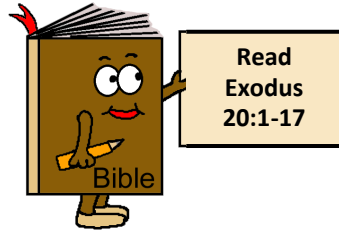


Play a board game or create your own. Try playing it without following some or any of the rules!



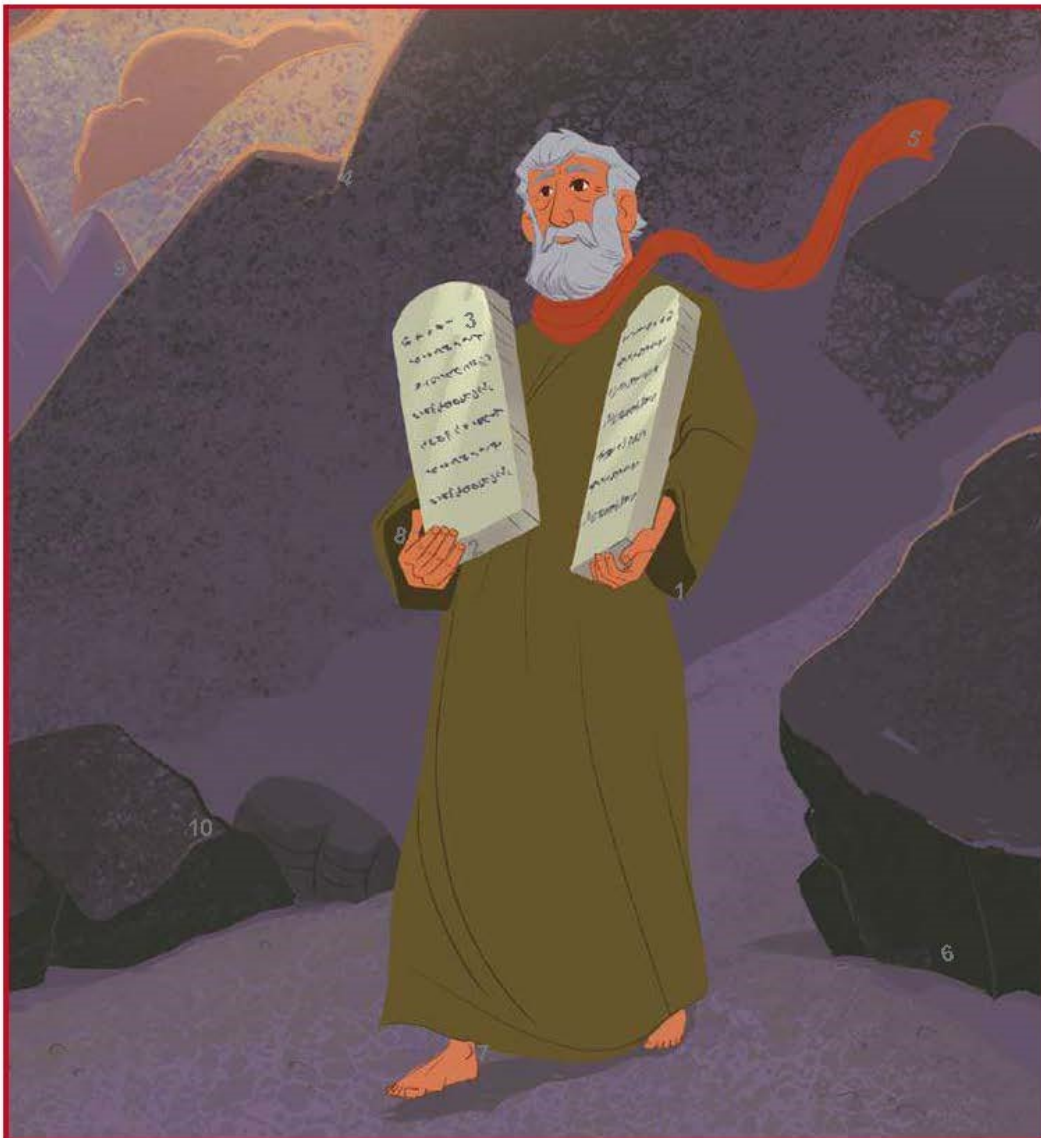
GOD'S RULES

We have rules in all areas of our lives that keep us safe and allow us to live peacefully with each other. Did you know that God has rules, too? God gives us His rules because He loves us. These rules—often called commandments or laws—show us how to live our best lives. A few months after God had freed the Israelites from Egypt, He called Moses to a mountain top and gave Moses the 10 Commandments. These rules distinguished between right and wrong and were intended to show us how to love God and love other people.



God Gave Moses His Laws Find the Hidden Numbers

There are Ten Commandments. Circle the numbers 1 through 10 which are hidden in the picture.



THE COMMANDMENTS

Let's take a closer look at the 10 commandments that God gave us. The first four commandments address our relationship with God; the remaining six address our relationship with others.

1 – Put God First

“You shall have no other gods before me.” - Exodus 20:3

The first command God gave said you should not put anything or anyone higher than Him. God is the most important part of life. He loves us so much and we are to love Him in return. It is not wise or good to love or put other things as a higher priority. Loving, obeying, and worshiping God should be the most important thing in our lives.

- What are some things we make more important in our lives than God?
- How do you think it makes God feel when other things in our lives are more important than Him?
- What are ways people show you that you are important to them?
- How can you show God that He is the most important part of your life?

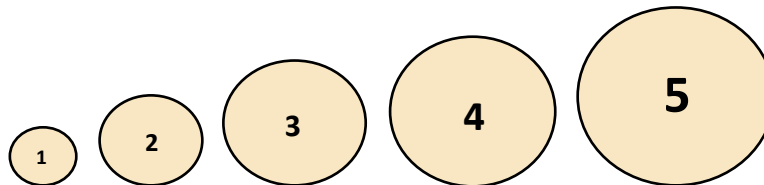


2 – No Fake Gods

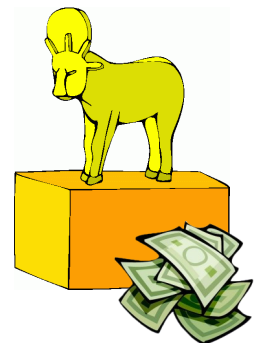
“You shall not make for yourself an image in the form of anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the waters below. You shall not bow down to them or worship them...” - Exodus 20:4-5

The second commandment warns not to worship anything other than God. In Moses' time, people would make idols out of gold, wood, stone or other materials and worship them as if they were God! Could you imagine carving a statue out of a block of wood, then bowing down and praying to it? Sounds crazy, right? People today may not have statues they worship, but there are things that they value and cling to more than God. One example is money. Money (and things we can buy with it) is not bad, evil or wrong. But when we have an unhealthy attachment to it, then our worship moves from God to money/things. And nothing holds more importance than God holds.

Use the scale below to answer the following questions, with 1 being very little and 5 being very much.



- If you lost a twenty dollar bill, how upset would you be?
- When something newer and better comes out, how much do you want it?
- How much do you feel success is determined by money?
- How much do you depend on money?
- How much do you like or enjoy having money, electronics and/or toys?



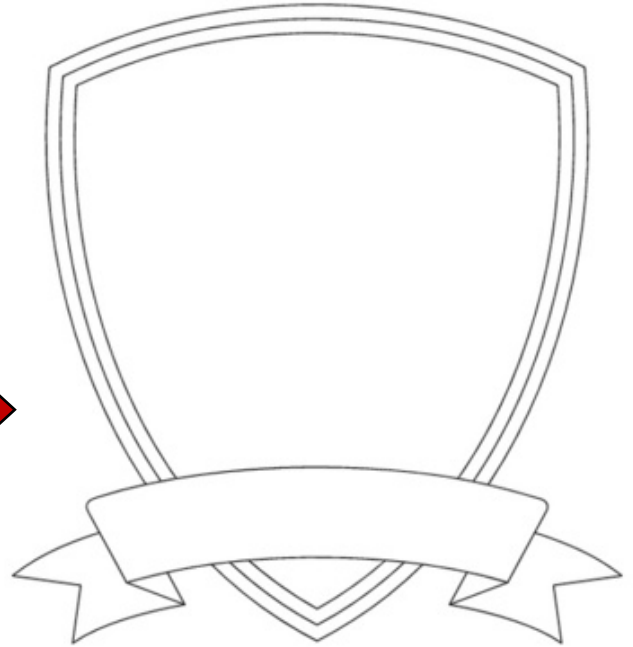
3 – Respect God’s Name

“You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God...” - Exodus 20:7

Most of the time, when people talk about the third commandment, they talk about not using God’s name as a curse word. Many times, people will yell out God’s name when they are hurt, scared or surprised. These ways of using God’s name are not a form of worship or honor. When we love God, we want to praise His name, through our words and our actions. The way we talk about God and use His name reveals how we feel about Him.

- What is one of God’s traits that you love the most?
- What are ways you can praise God to others?

With your parents help, look up the meaning and history of your family’s last name. Make a personal family crest by drawing pictures that represent your family, their history and values.



4 – Respect God’s Day of Rest

“Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.” - Exodus 20:8

The fourth commandment reminds us that there should be a day of rest, that we set aside as a special day for God, to honor Him. God wants us to pause from time to time to reset our focus on Him. In Moses’ time, the Sabbath was a Saturday. For Christian’s today, the Sabbath is typically a Sunday. However, God doesn’t specify which day that we stop, rest and worship Him. He just wants us to do it.

Using the calendar below, write down the activities you typically do on each day.
Highlight your Sabbath day activities.

sunday	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday

5 – Respect Your Parents

“Honor your father and your mother, so that you may live long in the land the Lord your God is giving you.” - Exodus 20:12

The fifth commandment is about showing honor and respect to your parents, but can include more than just our mothers and fathers...it can include any other people in authority. Our parents are not perfect people, but we are still called to honor them, to be respectful and obedient. When we honor our parents, we honor our Heavenly Father!

- What are ways you can show respect to your parents or other adults in your life?

BLESSING	BROTHER	COMMANDMENT
DAD	EPHESIANS	FAMILY
GOD	GOOD	LISTEN
LOVE	MOM	OBEY
PARENTS	RIGHT	SISTER

Ephesians 6:1-3 repeats the fifth commandment:

Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. ‘Honor your father and mother’ — which is the first commandment with a promise — “so that it may go well with you and that you may enjoy long life on the earth.”

Can you find the words about family in this wordsearch puzzle?



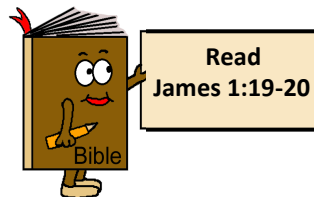
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6 – Do Not Kill People

“You shall not murder.” - Exodus 20:13

The sixth commandment forbids murder. God loves each and every one of us, and He values our lives because He created all life. It does not make God happy when we do things to hurt or destroy His creations. Not many people will kill another human being. But, many people do get angry. In **Matthew 5:21-22**, Jesus tells us that murder is not just something we do to someone’s body, but murder can be something we feel in our hearts or say with our mouths. Jesus is saying that any action or any thought that hurts another person is just as bad as murder.



- What does James say about controlling anger?
- How does James say we should react when we feel angry?
- Why is it so hard to control ourselves when we feel angry?
- What can we do to remind ourselves to be calm, to listen, and get the whole story?
- How can we turn our anger into action that helps someone else?

James 1:19

My dear brothers and sisters, take note of this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry...

7 – Respect Marriage

“You shall not commit adultery.” - Exodus 20:14

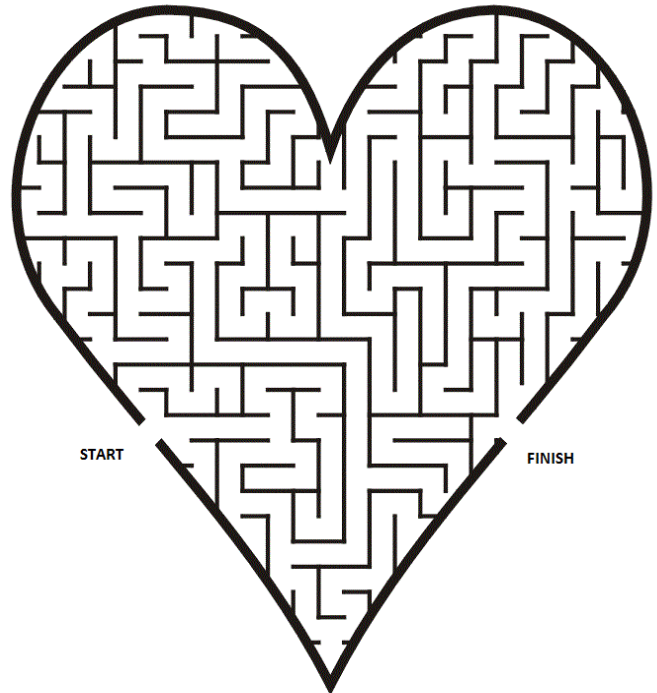
The seventh commandment is about keeping your promise in marriage. When people get married, they make a binding commitment of faithfulness and devotion to each other. God keeps all of His promises to us and He wants the promises we make in marriage to be kept forever.

- Have you ever made a promise to someone, then broken it?
- Has someone ever broken a promise to you? How did it make you feel when that happened?



Using construction paper, cut out two hearts. Glue them together, one directly on top of the other so they become one heart. After the glue has dried, try to separate them.

- Did they come apart easily?
- Were they damaged?



8 – Do Not Steal

“You shall not steal.” - Exodus 20:15

The eighth commandment forbids stealing. Stealing is taking something that does not belong to you without permission and without paying for it. When you steal from someone else, you show that you don't care about that person very much. It also shows that you don't trust God to take care of you and give you everything you need.

- Have you ever taken something that doesn't belong to you?
- How did you feel?
- Did you give it back?
- Even if you think no one is watching when you take something that does not belong to you, who always sees you?

With your family, play a silly game of **Steal the Socks!**

To begin, each player pulls their socks halfway off their feet. Then, while crawling on their hands and knees, players attempt to pull the socks off their opponents' feet. If both socks are removed, the player is eliminated. The last one with a sock (or two) on, wins!

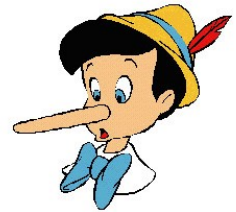


9 – Do Not Lie

“You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.” - Exodus 20:16

The ninth commandment warns against telling lies. God cannot lie (**Hebrews 6:18**). We can trust Him to always be truthful. God values honesty and detests lies, even little lies that seem harmless. Remember in the Garden of Eden, Satan—the father of lies (**John 8:44**)—twisted God’s words and deceived Eve. She and Adam then disobeyed God by eating the fruit from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, and sin entered the world! Lies never lead to life; they lead to death and destruction.

- Do you think that lying to anyone is a good thing to do?
- Do you think God only cares about big lies or do you think He cares about little lies, too?
- Is it ever okay to lie, even to protect yourself?
- Can you lie without saying anything at all?



Read
Proverbs
12:22

Fill in the blanks...

The _____ detests _____ lips, but he
_____ in people who are _____.

10 – Do Not Be Jealous

“You shall not covet your neighbor’s house...or anything that belongs to your neighbor.” - Exodus 20:17

The final commandment warns against wanting and desiring what other people have. To “covet” means to want something selfishly. It’s being jealous of what others have. Coveting isn’t just about wanting the material things people have; it can also include being jealous of other people’s relationships, appearance, happiness...anything. God wants you to be happy with what is already yours. When we are content with what we have, we won’t be envious of what other people have.

- What are things we need to live?
- Just because you want something, does it mean you need it?
- What do you gain when you are happy with what you have?

Rotten Envy!

Supplies: a white egg, brown soda (such as Coke or Dr. Pepper), cup, toothpaste, toothbrush

What to do: Submerge a white egg in a cup of brown soda. Leave the egg in the cup overnight. The next day, try and brush the egg with toothpaste to remove the stain on the egg.

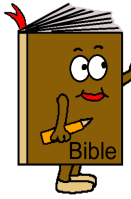
Discuss: **Proverbs 14:30** says, “A heart at peace gives life to the body, but envy rots the bones.” When we envy stuff, it can rot the attitude of our hearts, just like the soda rots the eggshell.

- How did the soda damage the eggshell?
- Do you ever envy anyone? If so, in what way?
- How does envy damage your heart?



THE GREATEST COMMANDMENT

God gave us a lot of rules! Is there one that is most important? The religious leaders in Jesus' time asked Him that very question. They were probably surprised by His response.



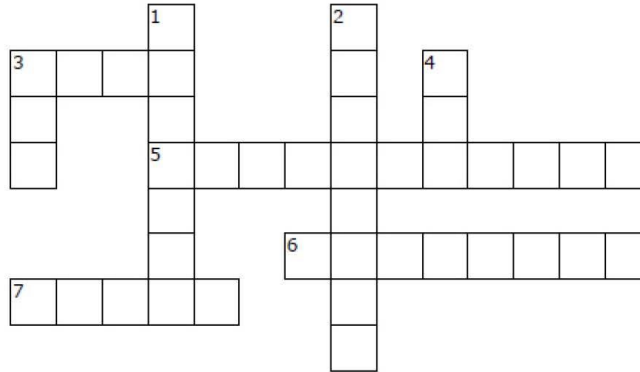
Read
Matthew
22:36-40

Jesus turned all of those rules into just two simple ones:

Love _____ and love _____.

Every rule God has given us, through the Law (the 10 commandments) and through the prophets (the men with whom God spoke directly), comes down to love...love God completely and love one another.

- What do you think matters most to God, that people follow rules or that people show love?
- Can you follow the rules and not be loving? Can you be loving and not follow the rules? Explain.
- What are ways you show you love God?
- What are ways you show you love other people?



ACROSS

3. To have a deep feeling of affection or attraction for someone
5. A rule or law; direction or instruction to do something
6. A person who lives near or next to another
7. The center and source of a person's emotions or feelings

DOWN

1. Someone who educates or trains others
2. The most important; better than all others of the same kind
3. A system of rules or principles
4. The creator of heaven and earth; The One we worship

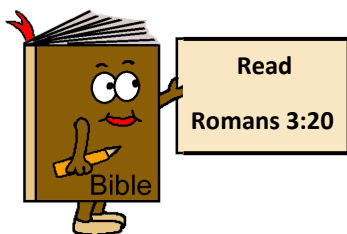
COMMANDMENT	HEART	LOVE	GREATEST
TEACHER	GOD	LAW	NEIGHBOR

God's rules give us guidance and boundaries about how to love Him and how to love other people. There is one very important thing to remember, though. Following these rules does not earn our salvation. Rather, the rules show us how impossible it is to keep them all...to be perfect. We need a Savior. The only way to live forever in heaven with Jesus is by trusting Him.

- Do you find it easy or difficult to follow all the rules at school?
- How easy do you think it would be to keep all of the 10 commandments perfectly?
- What happens if you break one of the 10 commandments (read James 2:10)?



Only one person has ever been able to keep all of God's law perfectly—Jesus! Jesus is the only person to live a sinless life. The Law that God gave Moses was never designed for people to be able to live perfectly. It was designed to show people that they cannot!



- Who will be declared righteous by the law?
- What does the law actually do?

We cannot save ourselves from sin, and we cannot earn our way to Heaven. Only by receiving Jesus as our Savior can we be saved.

- Have you trusted in Jesus?
- If not, what is holding you back?
- If you have trusted in Jesus, are you ready for baptism?



SERIES MEMORY VERSES

Luke 11:28

He replied, “Blessed rather are those who hear the word of God and obey it.”

Hebrews 12:2a

Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith...

Hebrews 11:1

Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see.

Colossians 3:17

And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

1 Timothy 4:12

Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity.

Mark 10:9

“Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.”

Matthew 6:21

For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Matthew 20:16

“So the last will be first, and the first will be last.”

Psalms 146:8

The Lord gives sight to the blind, the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down, the Lord loves the righteous.