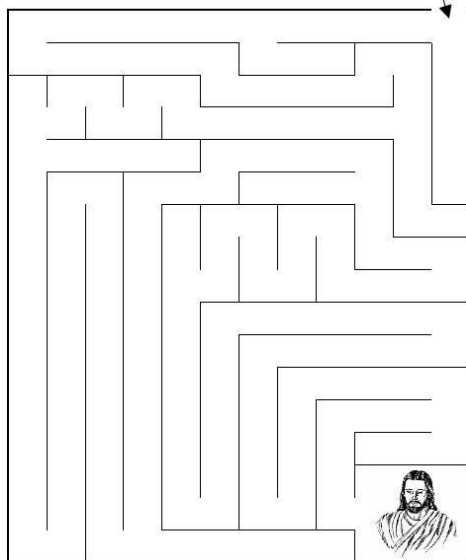


God should be first in our lives. Find a way through the maze to Jesus.



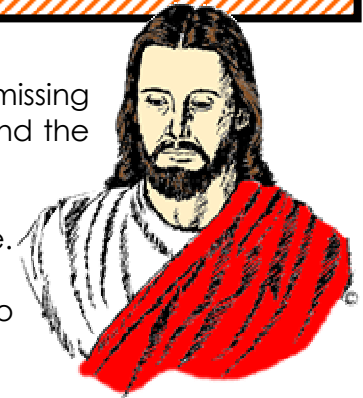
Love means doing what
God has commanded us.

2 John 6_{NLT}

God's Laws

Sabbath

Do you know God's laws? Fit the missing words into the crossword. You can find the 10 Commandments in Exodus 20.



Have no other _ _ _ _ _ (9 down) before me.

Do not make an idol or _ _ _ _ _ (7d) to worship.

Do not misuse God's _ _ _ _ _ (4a)

Remember the _ _ _ _ _ (5a) day by keeping it _ _ _ _ _ (11a)

Honour your _ _ _ _ _ (3d) and _ _ _ _ _ (1d)

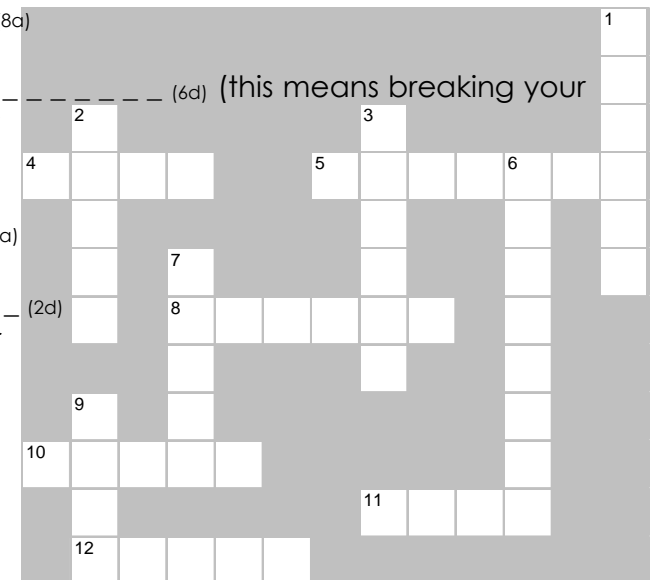
Do not _ _ _ _ _ (8a)

Do not commit _ _ _ _ _ (6d) (this means breaking your marriage vows or promises)

Do not _ _ _ _ _ (12a)

Do not say _ _ _ _ _ (2d) things about your neighbour

Do not _ _ _ _ _ (10a) anything of your neighbours.



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Refer: Exodus 19; 20:1-20 NLT; Patriarchs and Prophets p301-314; The Bible Story vol2 p153-162

Sunday

Two months after the Israelites left Egypt, they arrived in the wilderness of Sinai and set up camp near the Mountain and Moses climbed the mountain to talk to God.

God said, "If Israel will obey me they will be my own special people."

When Moses told the people they said, "We will do everything the Lord has commanded."

Then the Lord said to Moses, "I will come in a thick cloud so the people can hear me speak; tell them to get ready, and to wash their clothes. Mark off a boundary all around the mountain; warn the people not to go up on the mountain or even touch the boundary."

Three days later, thunder roared and lightning flashed, and a thick cloud covered the mountain. Smoke billowed into the sky and the whole mountain shook! There was a long, loud blast from a ram's horn and Moses led the people to meet God at the bottom of the mountain.

Then God said, "I am the Lord your God, who rescued you from slavery," and He gave them ten rules or commandments to live by.

"You must not have any other god but me."



"You must not make for yourself an idol of any kind, for I am a jealous God who will not tolerate your affection for any other gods."



"You must not misuse the name of the Lord..."

"Remember to observe the Sabbath day by keeping it holy. You have six days each week for your ordinary work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath day of rest dedicated to the Lord your God. On that day no one in your house may do any work..."



For in six days the Lord made the heavens, the earth, the sea, and everything in them; but on the seventh day He rested. That is why the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy."

"Honour your father and mother." "You must not murder."

"You must not commit adultery." "You must not steal."

"You must not testify falsely against your neighbour."

"You must not covet your neighbour's house, or anything that belongs to your neighbour."



(Ten Commandments abbreviated from Exodus 20:17_{NLT})

Friday

God gave us His Commandments to keep us safe and happy. Cross out your answer to these questions.

Is your family happy when children disobey or are rude to Mum or Dad?

YES / NO

Do you like it when someone is rude to your parents?

YES / NO

How do you feel when you watch your brother, sister or friend chuck a tantrum?

HAPPY / SAD

How do you feel when your brother or sister doesn't obey?

HAPPY / SAD

How do you feel when someone is angry with you?

HAPPY / SAD

How would you feel if you could never see a friend again?

HAPPY / SAD

Have you ever lost a pet? How did you feel?

HAPPY / SAD

How do you feel when your family is upset?

HAPPY / SAD

How would you feel if people in your family were fighting?

HAPPY / SAD

How would you feel if someone took something of yours?

HAPPY / SAD

How would you feel if someone wouldn't give you back something that belongs to you?

HAPPY / SAD

How would you feel if someone broke something that belonged to you?

HAPPY / SAD

How does it feel when someone lies about you?

HAPPY / SAD

How would you feel if you think your friends are talking about you behind your back?

HAPPY / SAD

Do you feel good when you really, really want something, but you can't have it?

YES / NO

How does it feel when you don't get what you wanted for your birthday?

HAPPY / SAD

People are hurt when people break God's Commandments; sometimes it is the person who broke the Commandment and other times it is other people.

Thursday

Some people think the 10 Commandments don't apply any more, but can you imagine God, or anyone else for that matter, saying, "It's OK to murder now; it's ok to steal and lie?"

See if you can write the last 6 Commandments in your own words from a positive point of view.

5, _____

6, _____

7, Respect your marriage vows/promises

8, _____

9, _____

10, _____

5. Respect & obey your parents. 6. Respect and save life.
8. Respect other people's property. 9. Tell the truth. 10. Be thankful with what you have.

Monday

What makes the 10 Commandments so special?

The people heard God speak them! It is not often that large groups of people hear God speaking out loud. Another time something like that happened was when Jesus was baptised; you might like to look it up in Matthew 3:13-17.

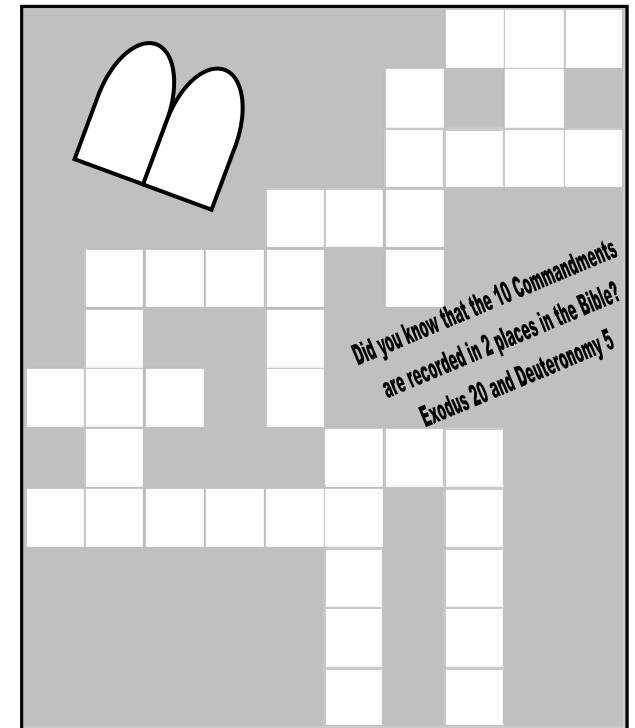
God wrote them with His own hand! The Bible records many time where God gave messages to His prophets who then wrote them down and passed them on to the people. But this time, God didn't just leave them to Moses to write, He wrote them Himself.

Later this term you will learn that not only were the 10 Commandments spoken and written on stone by God, but stones that God wrote on were kept in a very special place.

Jesus said, "If you love me obey my Commandments."
John 14:15_{NLT}

In His sermon on the mount Jesus said the law would not change; He also told them that even thinking about breaking a Commandment, was breaking it.
(Matthew 5:17-23)

Fit the underlined words into the grid.



Tuesday

The first four of Gods Commandments are about loving God. Find the underlined words from Exodus 20:2-11_{NLT}

C O M M A N D L O R D A Y M E
N Y O U R S E L F T S L A W S
R O T H E A N Y U L E S S A F
E U H C O B M M A N D D M E N
T M E S L B A R W N S A G R U
L U R E M A K E S A N Y O U R
S S A F E T I S C M O F D O M
M T H E A H N T H E T N N D M
E O M N T S D L A W S G O D R
U L I D O L E N O T S S T A F
E C S A B B A T H A V E O M M
A B U T N D M A N E N T S L A
O B S E R V E W S R U L E S S
F A E F E R E M E M B E R C O

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2 - You must not make for yourself an idol of any kind, for I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God who will not tolerate your affection for any other gods...

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4 - Remember to observe the Sabbath day by keeping it holy. You have six days each week for your ordinary work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath day of rest dedicated to the Lord your God. On that day no one in your household may do any work...

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M		

N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z		

The last six Commandments can be summed up by the Golden Rule which is found in Luke 6:31_{NLT}

Wednesday

Some people don't like the idea of the 10 Commandments because they sound like a lot of "don'ts." It's true that the 10 Commandments are written from a negative point of view, but they are not there to stop us having fun, instead, there purpose is to keep us safe and happy.

Read through the first 4 of the 10 Commandments in Exodus 20 and see if you can write them in your own words from a positive point of view – tell what you should do rather than what you shouldn't. If you get stuck see the suggestions at the bottom of the page; the first one is done for you.

1, God says, "I am your one and only God."

2, _____

3, _____

4, _____

2. I am the only One you will worship 3. Respect My name 4. Sabbath is a special day to spend with God & your Christian friends & family. It is a break from your normal activities; no school work!