

We will now begin the seventh lecture on biblical theology./Today, we will continue with chapter 6: "Revelation during the time of Moses." /Last time with regard to revelation in the Moses' era we learned about the sacrificial system.

/Today we will discuss the Law and the 10 Commandments./This law is God's law./As you can see on the board "law" in hebrew is the torah./This torah is the instructions of God given to God's people.

/This word comes from the word "yarah." /The hebrew yarah/It came from the Hebrew yarah. /This word yarah means to teach, to throw, to train. /The word "law" appears 220 time in the Old Testament.

/Here, God's Torah includes both the promises and warnings./Therefore, it is where we must decide between death and life./There is life to the one who obeys, and death to the one who disobeys.

/Also, God's Torah are instructions for life. /And the Israelites heard God and believed in God who spoke to them. /And they Israelites communicated with God.

/God gives commands and warning through the Torah. /He also makes prophesies. /He gives revelations. /And he instructs. /So this Law in the development of the religion of Israel is central to God's revelation.

/Israel does not obey the law to become God's people. /They do not keep the law for salvation. /They have already become the people of God and that is why they must keep the law. /Receiving the Law of God is God's grace.

/Let us look at the function of the Law. /Lev. 18:5 says "You shall therefore keep my statutes and my rules; if a person does them, he shall live by them"/Deut. 4:1-8/Deut. 10:13/"O Israel, what does the Lord require of you?"/"to keep the commandments and statutes of the Lord, which I am commanding you today for your good?"

/Therefore, as mentioned before, the function of the Law is to give life, "to live" it says./And according to Deut. 10:13, this will be for "good"/Deut. 28:1-14 says, that obedience to the law leads to blessing./Also, Deut. 28:15 says if you disobey you will be cursed.

/Deut. 30:19 says,/"I have set before you life and death, blessing and curse"/God desires for us to choose life and blessing./Of course, there is no one on earth who can keep all the requirements of the Law.

/Romans 3:10./There is no one who can be saved through good works./There is no one who will be saved through His own efforts./So another function of the Law is to reveal what sin is./Rom. 3:20/Gal. 3:24/It says that the Law is like a tutor.

/When you break one portion of the Law you break all the Law. /James 2:10/This is like a necklace./A necklace is made up of many links and you put it around your neck./But even if one link become loose, the whole necklace becomes unusable.

/Even if I never steal, if I have committed murder it is as if I've broken all the Law./Therefore, this Law leads people to Christ, and makes us aware of sin./Therefore those who lived in the Old Testament were saved by believing in the coming Christ.

/In the New Testament people received salvation through faith in Christ who had come./Let us summarize the functions of the Law./“To give life. To bless.”/There is no one who will be saved by observing the Law. /The Law makes us aware of sin.

/It leads people to Christ. This is the function of the Law. /So those who believe in Jesus have been saved by grace.

/Now we will talk about the Ten Commandments./The Ten Commandments appear in Exod. 34:28/and Exod. chapter 19./And in Exod. 20:1-17/Deut. 5:6-21/It is prominently recorded in Exod. chapter 20 and Deut. chapter 5.

/Exodus 34:28 says that the Ten Commandments are the words of the Covenant./It can be directly translated as “The 10 Words, the words of the Covenant”/This teaches that God is an absolute God./And that God is ethical.

/Let us look at the characteristics of the Ten Commandments. /First, not all of the Ten Commandments is a command; it begins with the proclamation of grace./Second, because God is living, His words are also living./Also, these commands have been entrusted to the people of the Covenant, the chosen people./Exod. 19:3-6/Let us look at the introduction of the Ten Commandments.

/What is the essence of the introduction of the Ten Commandments?/Exod. 20:2 says, “I am the Lord your God.”/“The God has redeemed you from the land of slavery. /This reveals the God of the covenant, and God of salvation.

/God is the God of salvation. /He is the God of the Covenant. /He has personality. /God rescued the people of Israel from the land of Egypt. /This is God’s merciful and gracious act.

/And since God had saved Israel He told them to keep His commands. /He didn’t say keep my commands and then I will rescue you.

/God’s salvation came first and then the call to obedience. /We are saved through faith. /We are made righteous through faith. /We are not saved by our efforts. /We are not saved because we do good works.

/We are saved through faith in Jesus./And we must keep the Law because we are saved./We must not live any way we please because we are saved./If we live anyway we please this becomes our sin.

/We are saved through faith in Jesus. /So those who have been saved should keep God’s law. /What is legalism? /“Legalism” is trying to be saved by keeping the law.

/For example, “you must be circumcised to be saved,” “You must keep the Passover.” This is legalism. /We are saved through faith in Jesus.

/Let us look at the first commandment of the Ten Commandments. /Exod. 20:3 says/“You shall have no other gods before me.”/This speaks about God’s uniqueness. There is no person that can be compared with God.

/Our God is the only true God./There is only one true God./Deut. 6:4/1 Tim. 6:15, 16/This shows us who is worthy of true worship./This teaches us about the only true God.

/There are only false gods beside our God./Other gods are mere idols./Other gods are not gods at all./Therefore, we must worship only our God and give Him glory only./Matt. ch. 4, 10/Josh. 24:15

/Let us now look at the 2nd commandment./Exod. 20:4-6/It says here not to serve idols./These "idols" means "shaped" or "cut."/So an idol in Hebrew is pesel, and this word comes from pasal.

/This pasal means "to cut, or shape."/So when a person makes as "idol" he cuts and shapes it. /God said not to worship idols./And not to make idols,/or bow down to idols.

/One must not make idols even if we do not serve them. /We must not make idols and sell them to make money./It is also wrong to bow down before idols even if we do not serve them.

/Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego went through into a fiery furnace because they did not bow down to Nebuchadnezzar's golden image./God said not to make, bow down to, or worship idols./God has no physical form./He is spirit.

/Therefore, it is wrong to try to make an idols of God and bow down to it./People's desire to make an image of God and bow down to it is a greed of man./It is limiting God into a place or a thing./Deut. 4:12

/The people of Israel only heard the voice of God at Mt. Sinai and they were not able to see Him./This teaches us the true way of worship./John 4:24./We must worship God today in Spirit and in Truth./Psalm 115:4

/God is a Spirit. /And idol represents what people want to worship. /An idol is mankind's expression through the senses which he wants to worship.

/Exod. 20:5 says that God is a jealous God. /This is not same as man's jealousy. /This is an expression of holy love. /God loves those whom He has made a covenant with.

/It says that when we disobey God's command, this sin goes down to the 3rd and 4th generations./This teaches us that the impact of sin flows down to others./If a son is influenced by his father and sins like his father he will be punished.

/For example, let's say that a father was a drunk, and lost all his possessions through gambling./Even though his children did nothing wrong, they will be influenced by their father's sin.

/But if we obey God's command, that blessing will flow down to the 10th generation./Because Abraham believed, his descendants were blessed./We must not make a form of God in any way and worship it.

/God created all materials. /God transcends material things./What are idols today?/Money is our idol./For example, power is an idol,/covetousness is an idols,/stubbornness is an idol,/and pride is an idol.

/Also, ourselves are idols./Whatever we love and trust in more than God are idols./If we love our children more than God they become our idols./If we love our grades more than God it becomes our idol./If we love games more than God they become our idols.

/The greatest idol today is "myself." /Therefore we must get rid of everything that we rely as well as love more than God.

/Let us discuss the Third commandment. /Exod. 20:6/"Do not take the name of the Lord in vain."/Here "name" is "shem"./Shem refers to character./Shem speaks about character.

/So "to become a commandment" is "shawe"/Shawe/Shawe means "vain". /"Without worth, worthless."/For example/There is this meaning. /This is using God's name in a wrong way.

/We must not use God's name faithlessly and with wicked purpose./Jeremiah 4:2/Leviticus 19:12/Malachi 3:5/It is not right to call on God's name without believing in Him./Proverbs 21:24

/We are to denounce false prayer and worship. /We should not just give lip service saying "Lord, Lord."/It is good to say "Lord, Lord" from heart of true faith. But we should not say "Lord" from pretense without faith.

/This Third commandment teaches about having the right attitude to worship./Ecclesiastes 5:1-2./Revelations 15:4/We must not take God's name in vain./Lev. 24:10-23/We must not take false oaths in God's name./Lev. 19:12/Isaiah 24:4

/Let's look at the Fourth commandment now./Exod. 20:8 says,/"Keep the Sabbath. This teaches us about the day we should worship God. /The Sabbath is God's precious gift that he gave to mankind.

/The purpose of the Sabbath is to refresh from resting from work, and to commune with God. /Exod. 23:12/Deut. 5:14/People came to suffer from painful toil because of sin./And we are being freed from this toil.

/We are being freed from slavery./Exod. 2:1-3/Genesis/Gen. 2:1-3/In the Old Testament times Saturday (7th day) was observed as the Sabbath day of rest./But in the New Testament this day changed to the 1st day of the week (Sunday).

/The Sabbath symbolizes the eternal rest we will have when we enter into heaven. /Therefore, we must keep this day holy./Therefore, Hebrews 7:18/Hebrews 4:4/So Saturday changed to Sunday./The first Christians kept the Sabbath.

/1 Cor. 16:2/Acts 20:7/Matt. 28:1/Mark 26:2/Sunday is the day Jesus rose from the dead./It is also the day when the Holy Spirit came on the day of Pentecost./Acts 2:1/It is also the day when Apostle Paul received the revelation./Revelations 1:10

/Here, "to keep holy" means to "set apart"/On this day we worship God, have fellowship with Him, and rest physically. /We must not work on this day./Lev. 13:3/Numbers 14:32

/We should not conduct business on this day. /We should not do worldly work. /We should keep this day holy and worship, serve others, and share the gospel.

/Let's look at the Fifth commandment. /From the Fifth commandment we have the second part of the Ten commandments./"Honor your father and mother./Exod. 20:12/Commandments 1-4 have to do with God./"Love the Lord your God."

/Commandments Five to Ten have to do with human relationships./"Love your neighbor."/It says here to "honor your father and mother," and "to honor" means "heavy"/it means "important"

/Therefore, we must respect the authority given to parents./We must respect them./Even though our parents may wrong us we must still respect them./We must love them and respect them./But we should obey them in the Lord./Eph. 6:1

/If our parents wish goes against God's will we must not obey them./But if our parent's command does not go against God's word we must obey them./The parents are objects of our respect, but not objects of our worship.

/We must love God first. /Mat. 10:37/Mark 10:29-30/So we must respect the authority of our parents/Here, it says that "it will go well." If we honor our parents it will go well with us.

/This refers to long life, and prosperity down the road without failure. /Eph. 6:3/Prov. 1:8/It says if we do not honor our parents we will be cursed./Prov. 30:17/2 Tim. 3:1-4/Deut. 17:16/Therefore, we must respect our parents.

/Let us now look at the Sixth commandment. /"Do not murder"/Exod. 20:13/God gives life./Life belongs to God./It is holy./So it emphasizes the dignity of life.

/God is the source of life. /Therefore, we must not mistreat what belongs to God./This is not speaking about killing animals. Animals can be killed.

/Also, killing people in war or the death penalty is not considered murder./The judge can punish the sin of murder./But we must not individually kill another./Suicide is also sin of murder./Our life does not belong to us but to God.

/Therefore, committing suicide is sin of murder./Also, abortion is sin of murder./Matt. 5:21 says hating and cursing your brother is also like sin of murder./1 John 1 3:15/Hating your brother is also sin of murder./We must love everyone./We must even love our enemies.

/Next is the Seventh commandment./"Do not commit adultery"/Exod. 20:15/The marriage relationship must not be broken by a 3rd party./Not only adultery, we must not do other lewd acts./We must not be involved in sexual relationships before marriage.

/We must not commit homosexuality. /Men must not have sex with men./You must not go near an animal./We must not do all these adulterous acts./Adultery destroys the covenant of marriage.

/Therefore, breaking the covenant of marriage is a terrible sin. /Jesus said that even if we look lustfully we have sinned in our hearts./Matt. 5:27, 28/James 4:4/It is adultery of the heart./Deut. 22:22/Malachi 2:5

/Biblical teaching is that one man should marry one woman./This is the principle of creation./So it is important for a man to marry a woman./God does not want marriage to be defiled./Also, this Seventh commandment points to the sin of the end times.

/It says that before Jesus returns the world will be filled with immorality. /Sexual immorality is a sin against one's own body. /1 Cor. 6:18,19./Other sins we should resist and win.

/But we can only be victorious over sexual immorality by avoiding it./We can defeat this sin like Joseph if we flee from it./2 Tim. 2:22/1 Cor. 6:18

/Now let us look at the Eight commandment./Exod. 10:15/"Do not steal"/We must not take anything that does not belong to us./God acknowledged the necessity of private possessions./

/But individual possessions are temporary. /We are just sojourners./We are stewards and managers./Therefore, we must be good stewards of God.

/Therefore, what God has given to others we must not make it ours by force. /We must not only steal people's possessions but also people. /We must not make what belongs to God as ours. / Psalm 24:1/Luke 16:9

/The tithe belongs to God. /We must give our tithes to God./Also we must not charge high interest./We must not cheat or defraud another./We must not try to get rich quick or buy lottery.

/Next is the Ninth commandment. /"Do not give false testimony against your neighbor"/Exod. 16:16/Deut. 5:20/We must not give false witness before the court./We must not lie before people nor before God.

/False testimony go against the truth./Therefore, suing a person without fault, and being an instigator of a scheme is wrong./Hypocrisy and pretense are wrong./God is the truth./We can end up killing someone through lying./So believers must be truthful.

/Now we will talk about the Tenth Commandment. / Exodus 20:17 /"You shall not covet your neighbor's possessions." /Covetousness is a desire to take away someone's possessions unlawfully. / Deut. 5:21 /So coveting another person's possessions is a sin.

/Col 3:5/Psalm 131:1/1 Tim. Chapter 6. We have brought nothing into the world and we will take nothing out. /God has provided what we wear and what we eat. /We must be thankful to God for providing us with everything we need.

/Matt. 5:21-27/We must be content and thankful./The last Commandment is the concluding command./People commit murder, adultery, and steal because of their covetous hearts./People worship idols because of their covetous heart.

/Therefore, we must love God, and get rid of covetousness./This is the conclusion of the Ten Commandments./Deut. 6:5/Lev. 19:18/Matt. 22:37 as Jesus says, we should love God.

/We should keep this Ten Commandment out of a thankful heart to God/1 John 5:3./The one who loves God will keep his commands./Commandments 1-4 is "Love God"/Commandments 5-10 is "love your neighbor"/

/Therefore, both the Old and New Testaments teach about love. /Rom. 13:9,10/1 John 3:16

/This concludes the Seventh lecture on biblical theology./Thank you.