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The Law and Love

Text: Matthew 5:17-20, Romans 13:8, Exodus 20

Is the Law (God's Ten Commandments) and Love Compatible?

It's not either love or law; it's the _____.

The Pharisees and Teachers of the law talked a lot of law but they didn't keep it.

Mount truly taught the philosophy of "doing the loving thing" is biblical, so whatever feels good is of God. If it feels good just do it. Society has added, if it's legal and if it feels good, just do it! Ref: Romans 13:8

Hollywood's philosophy, and the medias philosophy, and the world's philosophy, preaches "Do the loving thing, if its right for you, and it's our God given right and left up to each individual to decode what the loving thing is.

How important is the systematic study of God's Word?

I believe its life and breath--Its food and shelter--Its peace and fulfillment—It is wisdom and it is revelation. --- It is foundational to our future. Without the Word of God we are misdirected and deceived, we are lost!

The Law in the Old Testament

Love Is The Foundation Of The Ten Commandments. Ref: Exodus 20:2,12

Each of the Ten Commandments gives us the loving thing to do and the unloving to avoid in our relationship with God and others. Each law is a concrete loving course of action.

The first four commandments are all about "loving _____ to God."

Love Is the _____ of the Mosaic Law.

God had a purpose in giving the Law, God said it was for your own good. Deut. 14:29; 10:12, 13

God's purpose was and still is to bless His people by _____ for our prosperity and joy and to _____ us from hurt. God wants to bless His people!

Our loving God gives us advance warning about the harmful consequences of sin by His Law. All sin has consequences.

God's law shows us the loving course of action in our relationship with God and other people.

The written Law is love stated in the Word of God.

We find the Law of Love (God's Law) in the Old Testament and in New Testament. Ref: Matthew 5-17

More than ninety times Jesus and the New Testament writers affirm the truth of the Old Testament by citing three words: It is _____. Ref: Matthew 19:17,18

Jesus confirmed that the greatest commandment is really two sided. Love God and Love Your Neighbor (Matthew 22:35-40)

We also see: Confirmation of Love and Law within the Apostles Ref: 1st John 2:7, 3:11

Paul wrote that when we love God and our fellow man, we will not break God's commandments. Ref: Romans 13:10

The moral principles stated in the Bible, affirmed by Jesus and the Apostles are each an application of the command to _____ in a specific setting or relationship.

These laws were not substitutes for the moral laws of the Old Testament, they were a summary of them. Jesus did not come abolish the law, but to fulfill it. Ref: Matthew 22:37-39