

## God is interested in our:

**I.** Loyalty – "I the Lord thy God am a jealous God" (vs. 6-9)

Loyalty that is:

- A. Expected "the Lord thy God who brought you out of... Egypt"
- B. Exclusive "Thou shalt have none other gods before me"
- C. Exceptionless "Thou shalt not bow...to them or serve them"
- II. Love "mercy unto...them that love me" (vs. 9-11)

Love that does not:

- A. Disobey "visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children"
- **B. Detest** "of them that hate me"
- C. Denigrate "not hold him guiltless that takes His name in vain"
- III. Labor "Six days thou shalt labor" (vs. 12-15)

Laboring with:

- A. Reverence "Keep the sabbath day to sanctify it"
- **B.** Rest "thy maid servant may rest as well as thou"
- C. Remembrance "remember that thou was a servant in ... Egypt"

## Sentence Sermon

"The Law was not given to achieve salvation - it was how Israel could demonstrate loyalty to the God they believed in."

## Additional Verses

- > Exodus 20:5; 34:6-7
- > Joshua 24:13-18
- > Romans 4:1-8
- > Deuteronomy 6:12; 7:8; 8:14; 13:5, 10
- > Exodus 13:3, 14; 20:2
- > Romans 14:5-6
- Colossians 2:16–17
- Daniel 6:1-23
- > Psalm 26:3
- ➤ Genesis 2:3

## Questions to Ponder

- 1. What are the key words or phrases in this passage?
- 2. Who are the central characters of the passage?
- 3. Why did God mention Egypt right before giving the 10 commandments?
- 4. Why do you suppose mankind makes "gods" that look like creation?
- 5. What does it mean to you that God is jealous?
- 6. How can you tell if someone hates God? Or if they love God?
- 7. What does it mean "God visits the iniquity of the fathers on the children?"
- 8. Why are children, animals and servants included in the sabbath rest?
- 9. Should the church observe the sabbath day? Why or why not?
- 10. What does the sabbath day have to do with their deliverance from Egypt?
- 11. Why was Israel reminded of God's "mighty hand and stretch out arm?"