



Biblical Character Sketches

Moses—Lesson 7

Must I Obey the Law of Moses?

“Thou shalt not ...”
Exodus 20:3-17



**WALKING IN THEIR
SANDALS**

Exploring today's lesson

- Are we under the **law**?
- **Moses** as lawgiver is the most significant Old Testament character.
- Sinai is the **pinnacle** point of the Old Testament.

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

1. "Thou shalt have no other gods before me." *Exodus 20:3*
2. "Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image." *Exodus 20:4*
3. "Thou shalt not take the name of the LORD thy God in vain." *Exodus 20:7*
4. "Remember the sabbath day to keep it holy." *Exodus 20:8*
5. "Honor thy father and thy mother." *Exodus 20:12*
6. "Thou shalt not kill." *Exodus 20:13*
7. "Thou shalt not commit adultery." *Exodus 20:14*
8. "Thou shalt not steal." *Exodus 20:15*
9. "Thou shalt not bear false witness." *Exodus 20:16*
10. "Thou shalt not covet." *Exodus 20:17*

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The Covenant / Law Connection

- The **decalog** falls under the covenant.
- The **covenant** is the **basis** for the relationship.
- The **law** sets forth the **terms** of the relationship.

Dispensational Vs. Timeless (practical

- **considerations)** **Dispensational distinctions**

- Romans 8:3-4

- Romans 10:4-5

- **Timeless truth**

- 1 Peter 1:15, “Be ye holy”

The Law Underpins the Old Testament.

- Have you considered the **name** of the first five books?
- Have you considered the **purpose** behind the wilderness journey?
- Have you considered how **prominent** *law* is in the Old Testament?
- Have you consider law as a foundational **theme** in both testaments?
- Have you considered how law in the closing verses of the Old Testament **links** the two testaments?

Understanding Law through the Covenant

Relationship: This connection:

- is **inherent**.
- **harmonizes** conflicting statements.
- relates to our **sanctification**.
- reveals God's **nature** through law.
- should prevent the misapplication of **grace**.



A Discussion Point

**What practical value
does the Law of Moses
have today?**

Harmonizing *law* in the Bible

Old Testament believers were
under the law,
but **saved** by grace.

New Testament believers are
under grace,
but **obey** a higher law.

As Old and New Testament believers grow closer to God in
covenantal **relationship**, they **progressively** reflect more of
His moral and ethical nature.

Whether written or not, there are moral and ethical
standards which reflect the **nature of God**. We commit sin
when we fall short of this **perfect standard**. It was true in the
Old Testament and it is true in the New Testament.



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