



How to Represent the Kingdom

in this Election Season, part 6

11/15/20

I. Vote God's ten; II. Live God's ten

A How to live God's ten

Matthew 22:36 ...which is the great commandment in the Law?"

³⁷ And He (Jesus) said to him, "'You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.'

³⁸ "This is the great and foremost commandment.

³⁹ "The second is like it, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.'

⁴⁰ "On these two commandments depend the whole Law and the Prophets."

B. God's ten priorities for a society Exodus 20:1-17

- I. ³ "You shall have no other gods before Me.
- II. ⁴ "You shall not make for yourself an idol...
- III. ⁷ "You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain...
- IV. ⁸ "Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy.
- V. ¹² "Honor your father and your mother

VI. ¹³ "You shall not murder.

Genesis 9:6 "Whoever sheds man's blood, By man his blood shall be shed, For in the image of God He made man.

Matthew 5:21 "You have heard that the ancients were told, 'You shall not commit murder' and 'Whoever commits murder shall be liable to the court.'

²² "But I say to you that everyone who is angry with his brother shall be guilty before the court; and whoever shall say to his brother, 'Raca,' shall be guilty before the supreme court; and whoever shall say, 'You fool,' shall be guilty *enough to go* into the fiery hell.

²³ "If therefore you are presenting your offering at the altar, and there remember that your brother has something against you,

²⁴ leave your offering there before the altar, and go your way; first be reconciled to your brother, and then come and present your offering.

Matthew 5:43 "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbor, and hate your enemy.'

⁴⁴ "But I say to you, love your enemies, and pray for those who persecute you

⁴⁵ in order that you may be sons of your Father who is in heaven; for He causes His sun to rise on *the* evil and *the* good, and sends rain on *the* righteous and *the* unrighteous.

⁴⁶ "For if you love those who love you, what reward have you? Do not even the tax-gatherers do the same?"

⁴⁷ "And if you greet your brothers only, what do you do more *than others*? Do not even the Gentiles do the same?"

⁴⁸ "Therefore you are to be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

___ Choose to love (value) and serve every person and focus on eternal life issues

___ Respectfully dialogue about life and death issues (the unborn, the elderly, the climate, military strength, homeland security, health care for the poor, mitigation of pandemics, law enforcement, racism, gun laws, global aid and nation building)

___ politic and participate for the sanctity of every life

VII. ¹⁴ "You shall not commit adultery.

Ephesians 5:25 Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself up for her;
²⁶ that He might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word,
²⁷ that He might present to Himself the church in all her glory, having no spot or wrinkle or any such thing; but that she should be holy and blameless.

²⁸ So husbands ought also to love their own wives as their own bodies. He who loves his own wife loves himself;
²⁹ for no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ also *does* the church,
³⁰ because we are members of His body.

³¹ For this cause a man shall leave his father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife; and the two shall become one flesh.

³² This mystery is great; but I am speaking with reference to Christ and the church.

³³ Nevertheless let each individual among you also love his own wife even as himself; and *let the wife see to it* that she respect her husband.

___ Practice and enjoy the beauty of marriage including meeting each other's needs (security, significance, romance, sex, etc., 1 Corinthians 7:1-5).

___ Avoid the path to adultery including pornography, fantasy and unwise interactions (before your first step read Proverbs 5-7)

___ Mentor a young or a not so good marriage

VIII. ¹⁵ "You shall not steal.

Malachi 3:8 "Will a man rob God? Yet you are robbing Me! But you say, 'How have we robbed Thee?' In tithes and offerings.

⁹ "You are cursed with a curse, for you are robbing Me, the whole nation *of you!*

¹⁰ "Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, so that there may be food in My house, and test Me now in this," says the LORD of hosts, "if I will not open for you the windows of heaven, and pour out for you a blessing until it overflows.

Ephesians 4:28 Let him who steals steal no longer; but rather let him labor, performing with his own hands what is good, in order that he may have *something* to share with him who has need.

Ephesians 6:5 Slaves, be obedient to those who are your masters according to the flesh, with fear and trembling, in the sincerity of your heart, as to Christ;

⁶ not by way of eyeservice, as men-pleasers, but as slaves of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart.

⁷ With good will render service, as to the Lord, and not to men,

⁸ knowing that whatever good thing each one does, this he will receive back from the Lord, whether slave or free.

⁹ And, masters, do the same things to them, and give up threatening, knowing that both their Master and yours is in heaven, and there is no partiality with Him.

Be generous with

___ God

___ those in need

___ your employer and employees

IX. ¹⁶ "You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

Proverbs 6:16 There are six things which the LORD hates, Yes, seven which are an abomination to Him:

¹⁷ Haughty eyes, a lying tongue, And hands that shed innocent blood,

¹⁸ A heart that devises wicked plans, Feet that run rapidly to evil,

¹⁹ A false witness *who* utters lies, And one who spreads strife among brothers.

Acts 5:1-11 But a certain man named Ananias, with his wife Sapphira, sold a piece of property,
² and kept back *some* of the price for himself, with his wife's full knowledge, and bringing a portion of it, he laid it at the apostles' feet.

³ But Peter said, "Ananias, why has Satan filled your heart to lie to the Holy Spirit, ...

Ephesians 4:15 ... speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in all *aspects* into Him, who is the head, *even* Christ,

¹⁶ from whom the whole body, being fitted and held together by that which every joint supplies, according to the proper working of each individual part, causes the growth of the body for the building up of itself in love.

- Study the truth and speak only truth in love
- Speak promises in a James 4:13-17 way and keep your word
- Don't exaggerate, flatter, gossip or pass along unverified information

X. ¹⁷ "You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife or his male servant or his female servant or his ox or his donkey or anything that belongs to your neighbor."

1 Timothy 6:6 godliness *actually* is a means of great gain, when accompanied by contentment.

⁷ For we have brought nothing into the world, so we cannot take anything out of it either.

⁸ And if we have food and covering, with these we shall be content.

⁹ But those who want to get rich fall into temptation and a snare and many foolish and harmful desires which plunge men into ruin and destruction.

¹⁰ For the love of money is a root of all sorts of evil, and some by longing for it have wandered away from the faith, and pierced themselves with many a pang.

1 Timothy 6:17 Instruct those who are rich in this present world not to be conceited or to fix their hope on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who richly supplies us with all things to enjoy.

¹⁸ *Instruct them* to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and ready to share,

¹⁹ storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of that which is life indeed.

Choose to thank God for His blessings on

- friends, neighbors and associates
- the rich
- ourselves

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