The

# Commandments

Today

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Exodus 20:1-3

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- It was designed to reveal man's sinfulness (Rom. 3:19-20).

[1] John J. Davis. Moses and the Gods of Egypt. (Winona Lake, IN: BMH Books, 1998), 207.

- The First Commandment means God is to be worshiped exclusively.
- The First Commandment reveals that God is jealous.
- The First Commandment is followed today by giving exclusive allegiance to the Trinity.

## Whom do you praise (adoration)?

You may compliment your children, spouse, and friends, but who receives your highest praise?

#### Whom do you count on (trust)?

Sure, God works through means, such as doctors, insurance companies, and prescription medicine, but when you really are in need, who do you know will always come through?

# Whom do you call for (invocation)?

Where do you look for answers? Where do you turn for purpose and joy? Is it food, work, TV, your phone, or the God of the universe?

### Whom do you thank?

Where do your good days come from? Who made the trees and the stars and that cooing little baby?<sup>[2]</sup>

[2] Kevin DeYoung. The Ten Commandments: What They Mean, Why They Matter, and Why We Should Obey Them. (Wheaton, IL: Crossway, 2018), 38-39.