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The Ten Commandments

IF YOU HAVEN'T NOTICED YET, there is a strange development taking place right now among the conservative Christians in America, particularly among the political Right of the Republican party and in the emerging faces of the Tea Party. Where mainstream Christianity used to emphatically declare that the Ten Commandments were either given "only for ancient Israel and the Jewish people," or "done away at the cross" they are now arguing in its favor. You will see and hear more emphasis that the Ten Commandments are "part of our Judeo-Christian roots." What is going on?

Why did they not plead that same argument during all those times they were declaring that those who kept the commandments were legalistic or even a cult? What happens now to all their doctrines printed in their official literature and taught to their adherents regarding the Decalogue? When did the change take place, how, and why? How will they explain this change from the same Bible they claimed earlier "did away with the law" to the multitudes of their adherents who accepted this gross error? Will they publicly ask forgiveness from God and the people they misled since they committed this wholesale transgression of the whole law publicly and led others to do the same?

Is it time to rejoice that they are finally seeing what Seventh-day Adventists have long been declaring from the Bible that the law of God is eternally binding and immutable? Has there really been a change of heart, an enlightenment of the mind where this mysterious development is concerned? You be the judge. There is, in fact, in these developments, good reason to believe that the fuller picture of the prophecies of Revelation 13 regarding who the image of the beast will be, and how the mark of the beast will formed, are rapidly filling out. It has to be.

If you pay attention a little closer you will find that while they retain the rest of what they call the Ten Commandments in their posters, billboards, websites and blogsites, the fourth commandment has been abbreviated into: "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy," only. The rest of this particular commandment has been mysteriously eliminated. But it is precisely this part which clearly says what day the Sabbath is, and gives the reason and purpose why the Creator rested, blessed, and sanctified or set it apart from all the rest of days of the week. The problem is, as has always been since the time of Christ, many do not study the Bible for themselves, or if and when they do, they bring into it preconceived ideas. They blindly entrust its interpretation to their religious leaders. That's how the Jewish nation fell away, and rejected Christ. And so has it been the downfall of the Christian church through the ages to this very time.

And as you may have guessed by now—their "Sabbath" is Sunday, exactly as the proponents of the Blair Sunday Law Bill that was introduced to the U.S. Congress in 1888, called it: "the Christian Sabbath." For more information regarding this, go on the web and log on "America's Moral Foundation" or "Christian Heritage of America." See also the "Catholic Ten Commandments."

Exodus. 20: 1-17. The Decalogue was never spoken and written by the finger of God exclusively for the Hebrews or Israelites. Instead, God honored these people by making them the "guardians" or "keepers" or "repositories" of the knowledge of His law as a sacred trust for the whole world. The precepts of the Decalogue are adapted to all mankind, and they were given for the instruction and government of all. 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself.' Luke 10: 27; Deut. 6:4, 5; Lev. 19:18. It has become even more urgent now that we review these commandments in the light of these developments. First, the Ten Commandments are:

"Ten precepts, brief, comprehensive, and authoritative, cover the duty of man to God and to his fellowman; and all based upon the great fundamental principle of love. In the Ten Commandments these principles are carried out in detail, and made applicable to the condition and circumstances of man."

I. Thou shalt have no other gods before Me. Exo. 20:3.

"Jehovah, the eternal, self-existent, uncreated One, himself the source and sustainer of all, is alone entitled to supreme reverence and worship. Man is forbidden to give to any other subject the first place in his affections or his service. Whatever we cherish that tends to lessen our love for God or to interfere with the service due Him, of that we make a God."- Patriarchs & Prophets, p. 305

II. Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of anything that is in the heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. Thou shalt not bow down to them nor serve them. For I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and fourth generations of those who hate Me, but showing mercy to thousands [of generations], who love Me and keep My commandments. Exo. 20: 4-6.

"The second commandment forbids the worship of the true God by images or similitudes. Many heathen nations claimed that their images were mere figures or symbols by which the Deity was worshipped; but God has declared that such worship to be sin. The attempt to represent the Eternal One by material objects would lower man's conception of God. The mind, turned away from the infinite perfection of Jehovah, would be attracted to the creature rather than the Creator. And as his conceptions of God were lowered, so would man become degraded." – *Ibid*, p. 306. See Romans. 1: 18-32.

"I the Lord thy God am a jealous God." - "The close and sacred relation of God to His people is represented under the figure of marriage. Idolatry, being spiritual adultery, the displeasure or God against it is fitly called jealousy." – *Ibid.* (See also Ezekiel 36: 1-19).

"The parable of the wedding garment [Luke 14: 16-24] opens before us a lesson of the highest consequence. By the marriage is represented the union of humanity with divinity; the wedding garment represents the character which all must possess who shall be accounted fit guests for the wedding [which takes place in heaven during the

investigative judgment announced in Dan. 8: 14; Rev. 14: 6, 7, Luke 12: 36]."- Christ's Object Lessons, p. 307.

"Visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate Me." - "It is inevitable that children should suffer from the *consequences* of parental wrong-doing, but they are not punished for the parents' *guilt*, except as they participate in their sins. It is usually the case, however, that children walk in the steps of their parents. By inheritance and example the sons become partakers of the father's sin. Wrong tendencies, perverted appetites, and debased morals, as well as physical disease and degeneracy, are transmitted as a legacy from father to son, to the third and fourth generation. This fearful truth should have a solemn power to restrain men from following a course of sin."- *Ibid*, p. 306.

"Showing mercy unto thousands of them that love Me and keep My commandments." — "In prohibiting the worship of false gods, the second commandment by implication enjoins the worship of the true God. And to those who are faithful in His service, mercy is promised, not merely to the third and fourth generation as is the wrath threatened against those who hate Him, but to thousands of generations."- Patriarchs & Prophets, p. 306.

III. Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord your God in vain, for the Lord will not hold him guiltless who taketh His name in vain. Exo. 20:7.

"This commandment not only prohibits false oaths and common swearing, but it forbids us to use the name of God in a light or careless manner, without regard to its awful significance. By this thoughtless mention of God in common conversation, by appeals to Him in trivial matters, and by the frequent and thoughtless representation of His name, we dishonor Him. 'Holy and reverend is His name.' Ps. 111:9. All should meditate upon His majesty, His purity and holiness, that the heart may be impressed with a sense of His exalted character, and His holy name should be uttered with reverence and solemnity." – *Ibid*, p. 307.

IV. Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days thou shalt labor and do all your work, but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God. In it thou shalt not do any work: thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, nor thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor the stranger who is within thy gates. For in six days the Lord made the heavens and the earth, and the sea, and all that is in them and rested the seventh day. Wherefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and hallowed it. Exo. 20: 8-11.

"Verily **My Sabbaths** ye shall keep, for it is a **sign** between Me and you throughout your generations; that ye may know that I am the Lord that doth **sanctify** you." Exo. 31: 3.

"Some will seek to place obstacles in the way of Sabbath observance, saying, 'You do not know what day is the Sabbath;' but they seem to understand when Sunday comes, and have manifested great zeal in making laws for its observance, and though they could control the consciences of men. God has given men the Sabbath as a sign between Him and them; as a test of their loyalty. Those who, after the light regarding God's law comes

to them, and continue to disobey and exalt human laws above the law of God in the great crisis before us, will receive the mark of the beast. The prosperity of God's people are dependent on their obedience." – Letter 98, July 10, 1900.

"The Sabbath is not introduced as a new institution but as having been founded at creation. It is to be remembered and observed as the memorial of the Creator's work. Pointing to God as the Maker of the heavens and the earth, it distinguishes the true God from all false gods. All who keep the seventh day, signify by this act that they are worshippers of Jehovah [the true God]. Thus the Sabbath is the sign of man's allegiance to God as long as there are any upon the earth to serve Him. The fourth commandment is the *only* one of the ten in which are found both the name and the title of the Lawgiver. It is the only one that shows by whose authority the law is given. Thus it contains the seal of God, affixed to His law as evidence of its authenticity and binding force.

"God has given men six days wherein to labor, and He requires that their own work be done in six working days. Acts of necessity and mercy are permitted on the Sabbath, the sick and suffering are at all times to be cared for; but unnecessary labor is to be strictly avoided. [Isa. 58: 13 quoted]. Those who discuss business matters or lay plans on the Sabbath, are regarded by God as though engaged in the actual transaction of business. To keep the Sabbath holy, we should not even allow our *minds* to dwell upon things of a worldly character. And the commandment includes all within our gates. The inmates of the home are to lay aside their worldly business during the sacred hours. All should unite to honor God by *willing* service on His holy day." – *Ibid*, pp. 307, 308.

This means any form of enforcement God's law or of Sabbath-keeping is against God's will. All must intelligently and willingly keep the Sabbath and all the rest of the law as individuals. Only will such service and worship be acceptable to God. "From age to age Satan has sought to keep men in ignorance of the benefit designs of Jehovah. He has endeavored to remove from their sight the great things of God's law,--- the principles of justice, mercy, and love therein set forth. Men boast of the wonderful progress and enlightenment of the age in which we are now living; but God sees the earth filled with iniquity and violence. Men declare the law of God has been abrogated, that the Bible is not authentic; and as a result, a tide of evil, such as has not been seen since the days of Noah and of apostate Israel, is sweeping over the world." (Prophets & Kings, p. 275) It was when the early church lost the power of the Holy Spirit because of their prophesied falling away that they turned to the secular powers to enforce their decrees and sustain their institutions. Persecution of those who courageously chose to obey God's law rather than the laws and edicts of the state-churches inevitably followed. God's people are soon to face the same situation in the coming final test of faith.

V. Honor thy father and thy mother, that thy days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee. Exo. 20:12.

"Parents are entitled to a degree of love and respect which is due to no other person. God himself, who has placed upon them a responsibility for the souls committed to their charge, has ordained that during the *earlier* years of life, parents shall stand in the place of God to their children. And he who rejects the rightful authority of his parents, is rejecting the authority of God. The fifth commandment requires children not only to yield respect, submission, and obedience to their parents, but also to give them love and tenderness, to lighten their cares, to guard their reputation, and to succor and comfort them in old age. It also enjoins respect for ministers and rulers, and for all others to whom God has delegated authority." – *Ibid*, p. 308.

VI. Thou shalt not kill. Exo. 20:13.

"All acts of injustice that tend to shorten life; the spirit of hatred and revenge, or the indulgence of any passion that leads to injurious acts to others, or causes us to even wish them harm (for 'whoso hateth his brother is a murderer' 1 John 3:15); all self-indulgence or unnecessary deprivation or excessive labor that tends to injure health,--all these are, to a greater or les less degree, violations of the sixth commandment."- *Ibid*, p. 308. This may be further understood by the following Scriptures: 1 Cor. 3: 16, 17; 6: 15-20.

Spiritual Cannibalism. – AH 440: "We think with horror of the cannibal who feasts on the still warm and trembling flesh of his victim; but are the results of even this practice more terrible than are the agony of and ruin caused by misrepresenting motive, blackening reputation, dissecting character? . . . 'Death and life are in the power of the tongue.' Prov. 18:21. The spirit of gossip and tale-bearing is one of Satan's special agencies to sow discord and strife, to separate friends, and to undermine the faith of many in the truthfulness of our position."- Adventist Home, pp. 440, 441.

VII. Thou shalt not commit adultery. Exo. 20:14.

"This commandment not only forbids acts of impurity, but sensual thoughts and desires, or any practice that tends to excite them. Purity is demanded not only in the outward life, but in the secret intents and emotions of the heart. Christ, who taught the far-reaching obligations of the law of God, declared the evil thought or look to be as truly sin as is the unlawful deed. See Matthew 5: 27, 28; Luke 16:18; James 2: 10-12. Spiritual adultery is given by Israel's idolatry, is figurative of friendship with the world (James 4:4), is figurative of false doctrines and teachings (Rev. 2: 14, 15, 20-22), and symbolizes the final apostasy of all the spiritually and morally fallen churches in union with the world (Rev. 17:1-5).

VIII. Thou shalt not steal. Exo. 20: 15.

"Both public and private sins are included in this prohibition. The eighth commandment condemns man-stealing and slave-dealing, and forbids wars of conquest. It condemns theft and robbery. It demands strict integrity in the minutest details of the affairs of life. It forbids overreaching in trade, and requires the payments of just debts or wages. It declares that every attempt to advantage one's self by the ignorance, weakness, or misfortune of another, is registered as fraud in the books of heaven." – *Ibid*, p. 309.

IX. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor. Exo. 20:16.

"False-speaking in any matter, every attempt or purpose to deceive our neighbor, is here included. An intention to deceive is what constitutes falsehood. By a glance of the eye, a motion of the hand, an expression of the countenance, a falsehood may be told as effectually as by words. All intentional overstatement, every hint or insinuation calculated to convey an erroneous or exaggerated impression, even the statement of facts is such as manner as to mislead, is falsehood. This precept forbids every effort to injure our neighbor's reputation by misrepresentation or evil surmising, by slander or tale-bearing. Even the intentional suppression of truth, by which injury may result to others, is violation of the tenth commandment." – *Ibid*, p. 309.

X. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's house; thou shalt not covet your neighbor's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his donkey, nor *anything* that is thy neighbor's. Exo. 20:17.

"The tenth commandment strikes at the very root of all sins, prohibiting the selfish desire, from which springs the sinful act. He who in obedience to God's law refrains from indulging even a sinful desire for that which *belongs to another*, will not be guilty of an act of wrong toward his fellow-creatures." – *Ibid*, p. 309. "Neighbor" simply means our fellow-men.

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Have you already committed to memory the Ten Commandments as God wrote them with His own finger? Are you striving to keep its precepts and principles in your daily living? Are we helping to vindicate the law before man and angels? The law must be written on every part of the human temple or tabernacle as plainly as the blood of the sacrifice was seen plainly on the doorposts on the night of the Passover. May God help us all to stand in the coming stupendous climax of the great controversy over the law of God! The mark of the beast will soon be enacted and enforced. Are you ready?