

Commandments on Life and Love **Exodus 20:13,14**

Command: You shall not murder. 13

- KJV, NAB, RSV = *kill*, NASV, NIV, ESV, NKJV = *murder*
- This is a capital offense (21:12) and dates back to Gen. 9:6. Similarly, see 21:16, 22:18,20, Deut. 7:2,16, 13:10. C.P. is also upheld in the NT, Rom. 13:4, Acts 25:11.
- Even if we obey this 6th commandment, consider Matt. 5:21,22 and I Jn. 3:15. God expects us to avoid raging in anger, which often leads to taking innocent life.

Command: You shall not commit adultery. 14

- Adultery is also considered a capital offense (Deut. 22:22 and was condemned by other nations, Gen. 20:9.
- Adultery isn't a capital offense now, but it's still serious (II Pt. 2:14) and a rare reason for divorce, Matt. 5:32.
- As with the 6th commandment, Jesus taught that we can commit a type of adultery without performing the action by doing so in one's heart. God expects us to protect our marriage by only loving our spouse.

Are you noticing our nation is taking an increasingly less serious approach to these two commandments?

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

- 1. You shall have no other gods before Me.**
- 2. You shall not make for yourself an idol to worship.**
- 3. You shall not take the name of the LORD in vain.**
- 4. Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy .**
- 5. Honor your father and your mother.**
- 6. You shall not murder.**
- 7. You shall not commit adultery.**
- 8. You shall not steal.**
- 9. You shall not give false testimony.**
- 10. You shall not covet.**