

# Community Group Discussion Guide

THE  
**10 COMMANDMENTS**  
A GOSPEL PERSPECTIVE

Sunday, August 30, 2020

Scripture: Exodus 20:14

## THIS WEEK'S FOCUS

The seventh commandment protects the covenant of marriage – the physical and spiritual union that God had designed to be enjoyed between one man and one woman that uniquely reflects Jesus' relationship with his Bride, the Church.

## QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION *(Use along with Reading: Ante Faciem Dei)*

- What is the purpose of the 10 Commandments? What do they reveal about God and us?
- What is the seventh commandment, and what is its primary purpose?
- What is marriage? How did it originate, and what is its purpose (Genesis 2:22-25)? How is God's gift of sexual intimacy meant to be experienced? How do we misuse this gift?
- What are some of the painful effects of the sin of adultery? If marriage is meant to be an un-dissolvable union, and God hates divorce (Malachi 2:16), why does Jesus permit divorce in some circumstances (Matthew 19:3-9)?
- How does a biblical understanding of marriage help us guard against the confusion and deception perpetrated by our culture regarding the family, gender identity, and sexual intimacy?
- Explain how Jesus expanded the meaning of this command by applying it to the sin of lust (Matthew 5:27)? Share some ways we engage in adulterous conduct in our thoughts and affections.
- What spiritual union is the marriage relationship meant to reflect (Ephesians 5:28-32)? How is sexual sin ultimately a violation of a Christian's union with Christ?
- How does the gospel free us from sexual sin?