

THE STORY

Sermon Outline
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New Commands New Covenant

Chapter 5 Exodus 19-40

**Before He laid down the _____,
God demonstrated His _____.**

Exodus 19:3-6a - Then Moses went up to God, and the Lord called to him from the mountain and said, "This is what you are to say to the descendants of Jacob and what you are to tell the people of Israel: 'You yourselves have seen what I did to Egypt, and how I carried you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. Now if you obey me fully and keep my covenant, then out of all nations you will be my treasured possession. Although the whole earth is mine, you will be for me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.'"

**God's commands should be seen as
_____ rather than _____.**

**In God's community there would be
increased _____ and _____.**

Deuteronomy 7:12 & 15a - If you pay attention to these laws and are careful to follow them, then the Lord your God will keep his covenant of love with you, as he swore to your ancestors...The Lord will keep you free from every disease.

**In God's community everyone was to be
treated with _____ and _____.**

God was seeking to add some civility to civilization!

**The problem with the human heart:
It's default mode is _____.**

Characteristics of "religious" people:

1. Believe they must try to appease God in order to be acceptable to Him.
2. Look for hoops to jump through in order to fulfill their obligation to God.
3. Believe religious activity is the end instead of the means.
4. Behavior is only adjusted when they think God is watching.
5. Include God somewhere on their list of priorities.

**God's not interested in creating
religious people. He desires a love
relationship that is _____
and _____.**

Matthew 22:35-40 - An expert in the law, tested him with this question: "Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?" Jesus replied: "'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments."

**God's not looking to just be a _____
of your life. He wants to be at the
_____ of your life.**

1 Corinthians 3:16 - Don't you know that you yourselves are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in your midst?