

# Honoring God's Name

## *The Ten Commandments*

*A good name is more desirable than great riches; to be esteemed is better than silver or gold. Proverbs 22:1*

*But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Romans 5:8*

*“without holiness no one will see the Lord.” Hebrews 12:14*

*Therefore no one will be declared righteous in his sight by observing the law; rather, through the law we become conscious of sin. Romans 3:20*

*But now a righteousness from God, apart from law, has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify. This righteousness from God comes through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe. for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus.*

**Romans 3:21-24**

*God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. 2 Corinthians 5:21*

**God's \_\_\_\_\_ is expressed in the Ten Commandments.**

**God relates to all of His creation through \_\_\_\_\_, because He is holy.**

**To even speak of God's character brings us to a knowing awareness of reverence and awe for who He is.**

*“You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not hold anyone guiltless who misuses His name. Exodus 20:7*

## How we honor God

### **1. R\_\_\_\_\_ God's Name**

*“I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery. Exodus 20:2*

“Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, **Matthew 6:9**

Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! **Psalm 8:9**

## Three ways that disrespect God’s name

### 1. Careless \_\_\_\_\_

Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. **Philippians 2:9-11**

### 2. Condemnation and \_\_\_\_\_

Nor should there be obscenity, foolish talk or coarse joking, which are out of place, but rather thanksgiving. For of this you can be sure: No immoral, impure or greedy person—such a man is an idolater—has any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God. **Ephesians 5:4-5**

### 3. Blaming, shaming, and defaming

Above all, my brothers, do not swear—not by heaven or by earth or by anything else. Let your “Yes” be yes, and your “No,” no, or you will be condemned. **James 5:12**

“Do not swear falsely by my name and so profane the name of your God. I am the Lord. **Leviticus 19:12**

Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; worship the Lord in the splendor of his holiness. **Psalm 29:2**

## 2. R\_\_\_\_\_ God’s Name through your life.

Reflecting God’s Name in your life is a process. We do it through—

▪ M\_\_\_\_\_

▪ C\_\_\_\_\_

*The mouth is the billboard of the heart.*

*Dishonoring God’s name can be done with more than just words—  
it can happen through one’s life.*

### 3. P \_\_\_\_\_ God's Name. *How we honor God.*

#### How and when do we respond with honor to protect God's Name?

- We \_\_\_\_\_ when others misuse God's name

*If we are being called to account today for an act of kindness shown to a cripple and are asked how he was healed, then know this, you and all the people of Israel: Acts 4:9-10*

*It is by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified but whom God raised from the dead, that this man stands before you healed. Acts 4:10*

*He is "the stone you builders rejected, which has become the capstone." Acts 4:11*

*Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved." Acts 4:12*

- When \_\_\_\_\_ misuse God's name

#### Three things we need to do when we blow it

1. A \_\_\_\_\_ to God that we have sinned
2. A \_\_\_\_\_ to others
3. Be a \_\_\_\_\_ to one another

*But I tell you that men will have to give account on the day of judgment for every careless word they have spoken. For by your words you will be acquitted, and by your words you will be condemned." Matthew 12:36-37*

*Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Philippians 2:9-11*

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