

# FOR LOVERS ONLY - TEN LAWS OF LOVE

<sup>35</sup> One of them, an expert in the law, tested him with this question:  
<sup>36</sup> “Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?” <sup>37</sup>  
Jesus replied: “‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart and  
with all your soul and with all your mind.’ <sup>38</sup> This is the first and  
greatest commandment. <sup>39</sup> And the second is like it: ‘Love your  
neighbor as yourself.’ <sup>40</sup> All the Law and the Prophets hang on  
these two commandments.”

Matthew 22:35-40

<sup>8</sup> Let no debt remain outstanding, except the continuing debt to  
love one another, for whoever loves others has fulfilled the law. <sup>9</sup>  
The commandments, “You shall not commit adultery,” “You shall  
not murder,” “You shall not steal,” “You shall not covet,” and  
whatever other command there may be, are summed up in this one  
command: “Love your neighbor as yourself.” <sup>10</sup> Love does no  
harm to a neighbor. Therefore love is the fulfillment of the law.

Romans 13:8-10

I. No other gods. (Exodus 20:3)

<sup>3</sup> “You shall have no other gods before me.”

\* Love’s loyalty to her beloved.

II. No graven images. (Exodus 20:4)

\* Love’s ordered faithfulness to obey her beloved.

III. Reverence His name. (Exodus 20:7)

<sup>7</sup> *“You shall not misuse the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not hold anyone guiltless who misuses his name.”*

\* Love’s respect for its beloved.

IV. Remember the sabbath (Exodus 20:8)

\* Love’s total dedication and attention to her beloved.

V. Honor thy mother and father. (Exodus 20:12)

<sup>12</sup> *“Honor your father and your mother, so that you may live long in the land the LORD your God is giving you.”*

\* Love’s submission and respect for authority.

VI. No Murder. (Exodus 20:13)

<sup>13</sup> *“You shall not murder.”*

\* Love’s unwillingness to destroy its object.

VII. No Adultery. (Exodus 20:14)

<sup>14</sup> *“You shall not commit adultery.”*

\* Love’s Sacred reverence for the purity of her Beloved.

VIII. Don’t steal. (Exodus 20:15)

<sup>15</sup> *“You shall not steal.”*

\* Love’s unselfish treatment in all things.

IX. No false witness. (Exodus 20:16)

<sup>16</sup> *“You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.”*

\* Love’s commitment to truthfulness.

X. Do not covet. (Exodus 20:17)

\* Love’s contentment in all circumstances.