

## Freedom to love God wholeheartedly

*Exodus 20:1-3*

### God's top ten list

1. Have no other \_\_\_\_\_ before me.
2. Make no \_\_\_\_\_ to worship.
3. Do not misuse my \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Keep the \_\_\_\_\_ holy.
5. Honor your \_\_\_\_\_.
6. You shall not \_\_\_\_\_.
7. You shall not commit \_\_\_\_\_.
8. You shall not \_\_\_\_\_.
9. You shall not \_\_\_\_\_.
10. You shall not \_\_\_\_\_ what is your neighbor's.

### Jesus' top two

*Matthew 22:34-40*

Love the \_\_\_\_\_ with all your heart, soul, and mind.

Love your \_\_\_\_\_ as yourself.

Jesus' first command summarized the first \_\_\_\_\_ commandments.

His second summarized the last \_\_\_\_\_.

### The first commandment

God is to have \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ in our hearts.

God deserves this status because he is \_\_\_\_\_.

*Isaiah 45:5-6*

# Home Bible Study

## Freedom to love God wholeheartedly

### Getting started

1. How did you react to the sermon last Sunday? Was the description of the ten commandments in general or the first commandment in particular new or surprising to you in any way? Did you react strongly to anything in particular?
2. Since we live in a culture where Christianity is the dominant religion, we do not have much temptation to serve other gods. However, other things may take God's place in our lives. What do you think are our greatest dangers to take God's place in our lives?

### Going deeper

3. Read Luke 18:18-30. Why do you think Jesus commented about the ruler calling Jesus "good"?
4. Why do you think Jesus told this ruler to sell everything and give it to the poor?

5. Read Matthew 10:37-39. Does this saying of Jesus' bother you? How do you reconcile this with God's concern for others?
6. Read Malachi 1:6-14. In this prophecy, why is God angry with his people?
7. How can you make sure that you are not making the same mistake as God's people did in Malachi's time?

### Self-examination

8. What is first place in my life, judging by my actions?