

THE BEATITUDES VS THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

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THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

- Where do they come from
- Who received them
- Who gave them
- Why were they given
- What do they teach us
- How do we uphold them
- Is it a sin to break them
- Can our sin against the commandments be forgiven (mortal vs venial)
 - 7 deadly sins

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

LOVE GOD

- I Am the Lord your God, you shall not have other gods before me
- You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain
- Remember to keep Holy the Lord's day (the Sabbath)

LOVE OTHERS

- Honor your Father & your Mother
- You shall not kill
- You shall not commit adultery
- You shall not steal
- You shall not bare false witness against your neighbor
- You shall not covet your neighbor's wife
- You shall not covet your neighbor's goods

THE GREAT COMMANDMENT

MATTHEW 22:35-40

- “Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?” Jesus answered, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.”
- Also Deuteronomy 6:5

WHO IS MY NEIGHBOR

- Luke 10:28

THE 7 DEADLY SINS

- [Pride](#) is excessive belief in one's own abilities, that interferes with the individual's recognition of the grace of God. It has been called the sin from which all others arise. Pride is also known as Vanity.
- [Envy](#) is the desire for others' traits, status, abilities, or situation.
- [Gluttony](#) is an inordinate desire to consume more than that which one requires.
- [Lust](#) is an inordinate craving for the pleasures of the body.
- [Anger](#) is manifested in the individual who spurns love and opts instead for fury. It is also known as Wrath.
- [Greed](#) is the desire for material wealth or gain, ignoring the realm of the spiritual. It is also called Avarice or Covetousness.
- [Sloth](#) is the avoidance of physical or spiritual work.

THE BEATITUDES

MATTHEW 5:1

- Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of Heaven.
- Blessed are they who mourn, for they will be comforted.
- Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the land.
- Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be satisfied.
- Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.
- Blessed are the clean of heart, for they will see God.
- Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.
- Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of Heaven.
- Blessed are they who insult and persecute you and utter every kind of evil against you (falsely) because of me. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in Heaven.
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ze7w3-BL3OM>
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4lIABgBRjZ4>

THE COMMANDMENTS VS THE BEATITUDES

- The [Ten Commandments](#) are the big don'ts of the Bible. These are the things you get in huge trouble for. You could probably name most of them, even if you were only marginally associated with Judaism, Christianity or Islam.
- The beatitudes are different altogether. These are the blessings that Jesus talked about in the [Sermon on the Mount](#) (Matt 5:1), and they offer an entirely different moral code, one which is inviting rather than prohibitive
- Comparing The Ten Commandments and The Beatitudes reveals an important distinction. The Commandments come with the threat of punishment for any human being that does not submit to their edict. The Beatitudes come with the potential for reward for any human being willing to give enough focus to come to some understanding of what they have to say.
- The Commandments require little contemplation because they are black and white. There is no wiggle room.

THE COMMANDMENTS VS THE BEATITUDES

- The Beatitudes, on the other hand, are inspirational. The language emphasizes good acts, and offers incentive, you get rewarded in exchange for your effort in
- The Beatitudes reflect on the state of the human being in his human condition, with human condition consisting of suffering, inequity, and injustice.
- Matthew 12:7, I desire mercy not sacrifice

VIRTUES VS VICES

- Virtue: Behavior showing high moral standards.
- Vices: Immoral or wicked behavior.
- **The Cardinal Virtues**
- *prudence, temperance, courage, justice*
- **The Theological Virtues**
- *love, hope, faith*
- **The Seven Contrary Virtues**
- *humility, kindness, abstinence, chastity, patience, liberality, diligence*
- **The Seven Heavenly Virtues**
- *faith, hope, charity, fortitude, justice, temperance, prudence*

CORPORAL WORKS OF MERCY

MATT 25:35

- **Feed the hungry**
- **Give Drink to the Thirsty**
- **Clothe the naked**
- **Shelter the Homeless**
- **Visit the sick**
- **Visit the Imprisoned**
- **Bury the dead**

SPIRITUAL WORKS OF MERCY

- **Admonish the sinner**
- **Instruct the Ignorant**
- **Counsel the doubtful**
- **Bear Wrongs Patiently**
- **Forgive Offenses Willingly**
- **Comfort the Afflicted**
- **Pray for the Living and the Dead**