

SECOND COMMANDMENT – Part 1

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- Tonight – Opportunity to give a Bible study
 - Title – “Second Commandment – Part 1”
 - Comment – As you can see, this presentation expanded into two parts
 - Comment – I previously gave a series about 10 Commandments – (2003, 2011 & 2022)
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- Foundational scripture

Exod. 20:2 “I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage”

- Second Commandment

Exod. 20:4 You shall not make for yourself a carved image (any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth).

5-6 You shall not bow down to them, not serve them – for I am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children to the third and fourth generation of those who hate me, but showing mercy to thousands to those who love Me and keep My commandments.”

- God is a “jealous” God
- Let’s notice some Hebrew words about the subject of “jealous”
 - “Qana” – (Strong’s #7065) – used about 28 times
 - negative attitude – to be jealous, be envious
 - positive attitude – to be zealous
 - “Qin’a” – (Strong’s #7068) – used about 43 times
 - jealousy and envy [which are negative] – zeal [which is positive]
 - “Qanno” – (Strong’s #7072) – used 2 times
 - “jealous”
 - “Qanna” – (Strong’s #7067) – used 6 times
 - meaning – “jealous; an adjective or title used exclusively of God, focusing on His desire for exclusive relationships”

Exod. 20:5 “for I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God”

Deut. 4:23-24 take heed to yourselves, lest you forget the covenant of the Lord your God which He made with you, and make yourselves a carved image in the form of anything which the Lord your God has forbidden you – for the Lord your God is a consuming fire, a jealous God

Deut. 5:9 repeating Exodus 20:5

Deut. 6:15 repeating Exodus 34:14 – this verse does not include an interesting phrase
Exod. 34:14 “qanna” is used twice in this verse – you shall worship no other god, for
 the Lord (whose name is Jealous) is a jealous God

- Some sources identify the following name associated with Exodus 34:14
Jehovah Kanna (or Yahweh Kanna) – the Jealous God
(Unrelated to this topic) – some sources mention 2 other names
Jehovah Jireh (or Yahweh Jireh) – the Lord who provides
Jehovah Rapha (or Yahweh Rapha) – the Lord who heals
- It is the worship of idols that provokes God to jealousy
(His Jealousy = His expected response – His righteous reaction)

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- Concept – No idols made with hands
 - Many references about “idols” in the King James Bible
“Idol” – 9 times in Old Testament & 5 times in New Testament
“Idols” – 86 times in Old Testament & 13 times in New Testament
- Acts 7:41 Luke wrote – they made a calf in those days – offered sacrifices to the idol
 – rejoiced in the works of their hands – (Exodus 32:1-6)
- Exod. 32:2-4 golden earrings – fashioned with an engraving tool – molten image
Acts 7:43 Luke wrote – “you also took up the tabernacle of Moloch and the star of
 your god Remphan [Chium], images which you made to worship”
 – (from Amos 5:25-27)
- Amos 5:26 Sikkuth (pagan deity) – your king (“Septuagint & Vulgate read tabernacle
 of Moloch”) – Chiun, your idols (pagan deity)
- Deut. 29:16 you know that we dwelt in the land of Egypt
 17 you saw their abominations & idols – wood & stone, silver & gold
 18 hearts turned away from God – to serve the gods of nations
- Isaiah 40:18 to whom will you liken God? – what likeness will you compare to Him?
 19-20 molding an image with gold & silver – poorer people used nice wood
- Dan. 3:1 image of gold – 90 feet high – 9 feet wide
 4-5 when you hear the music, bow down and worship
 12-15 Shadrach, Meshach & Abed-Nego
- Acts 19:24-27 silversmith – made silver shrines for Diana
- Rev. 9:20 6th trumpet – those who lived through these terrible troubles did not repent
 of works of their hands – idols of gold, silver, brass, stone & wood
- Next time – Part 2
Discussing – No idols in your heart & mind
Take a peek at Ezekiel 14:3-8