



The Ten Commandments were given when they were needed the most. The Israelites had escaped the slavery of Egypt only 3 months earlier. But they had not done this on their own. They were on their way to the “promised land.” But they would not get there on their own. Moses was surely their leader, but God Himself was their Deliverer.

God is our Deliverer as well. He has clearly demonstrated His love (unconditional commitment & devotion) in both the deliverance and the commandments. Furthermore, He has allowed us the privilege (responsibility) of freedom of choice. The Lord God has more than earned our gratitude. He has earned the right to command allegiance from all he has “liberated.” First things first.

**1. FROM:**

Exodus 20:1-2

Genesis 1:1

Compare the God of the Old Testament with the God of the New Testament

John 1:1, 14

**2. TO:**

**3. REGARDING:** The One and Only One

Exodus 20:3

1 Corinthians 8:5-6

“No other gods”

“Before me”

**4. ACTION REQUIRED**

How is this commandment fulfilled? Violated?

Psalm 119:44-45

Romans 5:20, Galatians 3:24

**5. RATIONALE**

God knows Psalm 139:1-12

God cares Psalm 139:13-18

God does Psalm 139:23-24, John 3:16

*Jesus replied, “Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.’ This is the first and greatest commandment.” (Matthew 22:37)*