



At-A-Glance: Ages 6-7
God of Wonders Part 2: Genesis - Joshua
Unit 9, Lesson 44

The Ten Commandments

Lesson Aim: To learn the Ten Commandments and how God sent them to the Israelites.

THE WELCOME

MEET & GREET: What is the kindest thing you have done for a neighbor?

GAME: Obey Ball

THE WORSHIP THE GOD WHO SENDS

Read Worship Scripture: Psalm 119:105.

Sing songs and worship God.

Bless and collect the offering.

Perform High Seas Adventures script or read storybook.

THE WORD GOD SENDS THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

Children sign note cards; place in Golden Bowl. Classroom Covenant.

Review: God sent manna and quail when His people were hungry.

Point to Moses (Circa 1500 B.C.). **Today, we will discover God sent the Ten Commandments to the Israelites. This happened at Mt. Sinai, three months after they left Egypt.** Point to Mt. Sinai. **What is a covenant? It is an agreement where people promise to do something for each other or give something to each other. God made a covenant with His people when they promised to obey Him.** Reveal Bible Story Scripture Reference: Exodus 19:4-6, 8-9, 16-19; 20:3-8, 12-17. Pray.

God gave Moses a special message for the Israelites. Read Exodus 19:4-6, 8-9, 16-19. **Then, God gave them the Ten Commandments. He knew they needed wise rules to keep them safe, healthy, to protect their relationship with Him, and to protect their relationships with each other.** Read Exodus 20:3-8, 12-17.

THE WAY OBEY THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

What did the Israelites have to do to keep their part of the covenant (agreement)? (Obey God's commandments.) **What did God promise they would be?** (His treasured possessions.) **What did the people say to God?** ("We will do everything the Lord has said.")

How did God meet His people? (With thunder, lightning, in a cloud, with the sound of a trumpet, in fire, and the mountain shook.) **Do you think they believed God would keep His part of the covenant after seeing and hearing how He came and spoke to Moses?** (Yes.) **What rules did God send for them to follow and obey?** (The Ten Commandments.)

Why do your parents give you rules? God gave these special rules to the Israelites because they were His people and He cared about them. God also loves us and wants us to obey His rules. **When we obey, we are showing God we love Him.**

Today's Treasure Treat explains the Ten Commandments. To make sure we understand all ten, let's read them and think of an example of a way to obey each commandment. Distribute today's Ten Commandments Treasure Treat. One at a time, read each commandment, have the children repeat it after you, and discuss examples.

Let's promise to obey God's commandments just like the Israelites. Together repeat: **"We will do everything the Lord has said."**

CHRIST CONNECTION:

Nearly 1500 years after God gave the Israelites the Ten Commandments, Jesus gave us two commandments that summarize the ten. Reveal Matthew 22:37-39. Read.

If you obey these two commandments that Jesus taught us, you will also be obeying the Ten Commandments. What is the first commandment Jesus gave? (Love God with all of your heart, soul, and mind.) **What is the second commandment from Jesus?** (Love your neighbor as yourself.) **Who is our neighbor?** (Everyone in the world.)

If time allows, play THE COMMANDMENT CONNECTION in GOT TIME?.

THE GOLDEN BOWL: Pray for individuals. Pray the Lord's Prayer.

FINAL FIVE MINUTES:

- TREASURE TREAT: Ten Commandments and explanation
- DAILY WAY CHALLENGE
- OFFERING OF ART: Moses on Mt. Sinai
- PRAYER REQUESTS
- BIBLE MEMORY VERSE SONG

GOT TIME?

SNACK: Ten Crackers

GAME: The Commandment Connection

CRAFT: Commandment Scroll

DISCUSSION: Commandments 1-4

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES: The Wave, Musical Chairs

BIBLE TIMELINE REVIEW