

MONTHLY BIBLE STUDY



TEN COMMANDMENTS #6

1. Write down as many of the Ten Commandments as you can, in **NUMERICAL** order.
2. Read Exodus 20:13. Today's study is on Commandment # 6 (Literally). "You shall not do murder."
See also Deuteronomy 5:17.
3. Although some versions say "kill," "**Murder**" is the correct rendering of the Hebrew verb (r-s, or retzach) in this verse. There is another word that connotes mere killing. Is there a **difference** between killing and murder? Can you think of any circumstances that justify **killing** another human being? (Think Just war, self defense, defense of another person, capital punishment, etc.) How does that make you feel?
4. Murder can be defined as the deliberate killing of another person for selfish personal reasons, often with premeditated malice. Read the account of the first murder in Genesis 4:8. Then read God's stated punishment for murder in Genesis 9:5-6.
5. How did Jesus deal with the issue of murder in Matthew 5:21-26 and 19:16-22?
6. Read Romans 13:9-10 to discover Paul's understanding of how to prevent murder.
7. What is the antidote to murder and its' effects? Read and discuss 1 John 3:11-20.
8. Is God able and willing to forgive all sinners, including murderers? Read and discuss these verses - Acts 13:38-39; Romans 5:15-20; and 1 John 1:9.
9. How does a murderer receive forgiveness? The same way as the rest of us! See Romans 3:23; 6:23; 10:9-13; and Ephesians 2:8-10.
10. Our final question has two parts. Regardless of what sins you have committed, God loves you through Jesus Christ. (Ephesians 5:2)
 - a. Do you personally have the relationship that comes through confession of sins, begging for forgiveness, turning toward God and placing your faith in Jesus Christ, and committing yourself to love Him and live for Him?
 - b. Will you seek to actively share your faith relationship with bikers and others during the coming days and months as God gives you opportunity? Pray together to that end.