

# ***From Beginning to End From Reckless to Reverent***

*For further reflection personally, with a friend or your Group.*

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The word “testament” in Old Testament or New Testament refers to a contract, agreement or treaty. The Ten Commandments are the terms or conditions of the Old Agreement. These requirements defined the relationship between God the one true king and his people, Israel.

## ***GETTING STARTED***

What is the craziest reckless act you've witnessed or personally experienced?

## ***LOOKING DEEPER***

1. Read Exodus 20:1-7. How is our identity in Christ connected to Exodus 20:7?
2. Read Romans 8:12-16. We are called “sons of God”. How does that title reflect the responsibility we have to represent Christ authentically; especially to the next generation?
3. In Matthew 6:9, Jesus instructs his followers to pray using the word “hallowed” which means sanctified and respected. How should treating God’s name with respect change the way we use his name?
4. In Matthew 5:33-37, Jesus addresses the legalism of misusing oaths. Why do you suppose oaths in the ancient world were so important? Do you think they are important today?
5. Read 2 Timothy 3:1-5. When we deny God's power we accept less than holy lives. Can you share a time when you experienced God's power helping you chose the right words or actions at the right time?
6. How does loving God keep Christianity from becoming a set of isolated commands?

## ***TAKE IT WITH YOU — personal reflection***

*“Simply let your ‘Yes’ be ‘Yes’, and your ‘No,’ be No’; anything beyond this comes from the evil one.” Matthew 5:37*

*Our speech reflects the God we serve. Everything we do as a child of God must be in integrity, truthfulness, and honesty, as we are not only representing Him, He is living in us!*