

*Moral Absolutes in an Immoral World, Part 1: If You Love Me...*

1. "And the dragon was enraged with the woman, and he went to make war with the rest of her offspring, who keep the \_\_\_\_\_ of God and have the testimony of Jesus Christ" (Revelation 12:17).
2. \_\_\_\_\_ is the One who spoke and wrote the 10 commandments (see Ex. 20:1-2; 31:18; 3:14; John 8:58).
3. "After the transgression of Adam, the Lord spoke no longer directly with man; the human race was given into the hands of Christ, and all communication came through Him to the world. It was \_\_\_\_\_ who spoke the law on Mount Sinai, and He knew the bearing of all its precepts, the glory and majesty of the law of heaven" (Ellen G. White, *Fundamentals of Christian Education*, p. 237-238).
4. "He would remove from them \_\_\_\_\_ possibility of mingling with His holy precepts any tradition, or of confusing His requirements with the practices of men" (White, *Story of Redemption*, p. 148).
5. "I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of \_\_\_\_\_" (Ex. 20:2).
6. "Since the Scriptures make Egypt symbolic of the state of sin (see Rev. 11:8), the deliverance of Israel from Egypt may appropriately be compared to the deliverance of all God's people from the power of sin. . . . Note the order here: the Lord first saves Israel, then gives them His law to keep. The same order is true under the \_\_\_\_\_. Christ first saves us from sin (see John 1:29; 1 Cor. 15:3; Gal. 1:4), then lives out His law within us (Gal. 2:20; Rom. 4:25...)" (*Seventh-day Adventist Bible Commentary*, Vol. 1, p. 602).
7. "The identification of the Lord as deliverer from slavery must \_\_\_\_\_ be separated from the Ten Commandments (6:2-8). Jews consider this verse part of the first commandment. Obedience to the commandments is based on the experience of God's gracious deliverance which the first 19 chapters of Exodus explain. The OT as well as the NT emphasizes God's \_\_\_\_\_ as the basis for obedience (see Eph. 2:8-10)" (*Andrews Study Bible*, p. 98).
8. "Everyone who memorizes the commandments should memorize this verse [vs. 2] first. The only ones who can keep the commandments that follow with the \_\_\_\_\_ spirit and attitude are those who know that the One requesting obedience is the Lord, who has delivered them from slavery" (Jon Dybdahl, *Exodus: Bible Amplifier Series*, p. 179).

9. Concerning the first commandment, "This command forms the basis for all the others. Yahweh demands an \_\_\_\_\_ relationship with Israel. He can tolerate no rivals to His claims on Israel. They are to worship and obey no one else" (Dybdahl, p. 181).
10. Jesus said, "'You shall love the Lord your God with \_\_\_\_\_ your heart, with \_\_\_\_\_ your soul, and with \_\_\_\_\_ your mind.' This is the first and great commandment" (Matt. 22:37-38).
11. "Man is forbidden to give to any other object the first place in his affections or his service. \_\_\_\_\_ we cherish that tends to lessen our love for God or to interfere with the service due Him, of that do we make a god" (*Patriarchs and Prophets*, p. 305).
12. "And to those who are faithful in His service, mercy is promised, not merely to the third and fourth generation as is the wrath threatened against those who hate Him, but to \_\_\_\_\_ of generations" (*ibid.*, 306).
13. John 14:15, "If you \_\_\_\_\_ Me, keep My commandments."

Answers: commandments, Christ, Christ, all, bondage, gospel,  
never, grace, right, exclusive, all (3x), Whatever, thousands, love