

## **The School of Biblical Law**

### **Covenant and Law**

#### **Lesson Fifteen: “The Covenant Model and Commandment One, Part 2”**

In the Exodus event, God had secured the position as claimant Lord. The gods of the Egyptians could not stand against His power. Even the creation paid homage and obedience to the God of Israel. He was not only the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, He was Lord of the whole earth. He had proven His preeminence. He alone would give the law.

1. The words of no other god would take ascendancy over the Word that God was releasing in His commandments.

Law is a religious concept, and the source of the law is the god of the system.

- Law defines justice.
- Law identifies righteousness: right and wrong, good and evil.
- Law claims the authority to define truth and require obedience from the populace.

Many sources to obtain the knowledge of good and evil is the same idea as many gods, which is a concept strictly forbidden in the pages of scripture (polytheism vs monotheism).

Documentation of ownership usually results in the eviction from the boundary of the false claimant.

2. The temptation in the garden was centered on who had the right to give the law.

When Adam accepted the idea of right and wrong from the serpent, Adam was selecting more than a set of facts; Adam was offering homage to another god.

Any deed of man that attempts to assault God’s headship is a violation of this commandment.

<b><u>Commandments 1-5</u></b> (Love God with all your heart, soul, and mind)	<b><u>Covenant Model</u></b>	<b><u>Commandments 6-10</u></b> (Love your neighbor as yourself)
No other gods before me	Transcendence	

3. Man may not use his own vain philosophies or his exalted reasoning to determine his framework of good and evil.
  - Humanism
  - Socialism
4. Man may not seek supernatural information from sources other than God and His Word.
  - Sorcery or witchcraft
  - Divination (tarot cards, Ouija boards, psychic readings)
5. Man may not worship other gods.
  - Buddhism or Hinduism
  - Mormonism or Islamism

God gave the laws to Israel to be their rules of dominion. If the nation would be more successful in her assignment than Adam was in his, Israel could not accept the word of any other god. “Only be strong and very courageous, that you may observe to do according to all the law, which Moses my servant commanded you: turn not from it to the right hand or to the left, that you may prosper wherever you go This book of the law shall not depart out of your mouth; but you shalt meditate therein day and night, that you may observe to do according to all that is written: for then you shalt make your way prosperous, and then you shalt have good success” (Josh. 1:7-8).