

## *Four Absolute* Moral Laws

### THE ROOT OF MOST SERIOUS RELATIONSHIP PROBLEMS

Do you want to get a handle on a troubling personal, human relationship? You need to understand the way law works. God's moral laws work just like the law of gravity. When you drop a rock from your hand it falls to the ground. This operational principle is **the law of cause and effect**. Gravity is an absolute law causing rocks to fall. We are a scientifically-obedient generation. We respect physical laws. But most are disobedient when it comes to respecting the equally absolute nature of God's moral laws. A free thinker, for instance a practicing homosexual, will carefully obey the invisible law of gravity, while ignoring the equally immutable moral law forbidding homosexual practices and reap the consequences of his disobedience, i.e., sickness and a shortened life, while ignoring the fact that his suffering is the consequence of his disobedience.

Scripture tells us that the Ten Commandments will outlast heaven and earth. Key human relationships are governed and impacted by invisible moral laws. When we ignore these moral laws, the consequence of our disobedience is suffering, hardship, even death. We think we can do what we want within reason without harm to others. Unfortunately, reap the consequences of our parental disobedience (Exodus 20:5).

#### LAW ONE

##### **HONOR YOUR FATHER AND MOTHER**

**Deut. 5:16** *“Honor thy father and thy mother, as the Lord thy God hath commanded thee; that thy days may be prolonged, and that it may go well with thee, in the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.”*

**Effect of Disobedience:** In the area of a child's life where the child dishonors parents it will not go well in that area of the child's life.

**Example:** A son hating the action of a father or mother (alcoholic or adulterer) will end up doing the same things he hates in that parent if he doesn't from his heart forgive that parent.

#### LAW TWO

##### **JUDGE NOT THAT YE BE NOT JUDGED**

**Matt. 7:1-2** *“Judge not, that ye be not judged. For with what judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged: and with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you again.”*

**Rom. 2:1** “Therefore thou art inexcusable, O man, whosoever thou art that judgest for wherein thou judgest another, thou condemns thyself, for thou that judgest doest the same thing.”

**Effect of Disobedience:** There is no excuse when you judge another, even if their behavior is wrong. When hatred or condemnation is attached to it every action will cause a reaction. Of course we must all judge. 1 Thes. 5:21 tells us to “test all things; hold fast what is good.”

The key is to do so without sin, i.e., attaching gossip, hatred, condemnation or sentencing to our judgments. We must put our trust in God, alone, as the Righteous Judge.

**Example:** A person who judges a pastor or leader of not having grace or mercy, will himself become one without grace or mercy.

*Note: it may be true that the leader lacks grace and mercy but by speaking the judgment and proclaiming a sentence ie: not working with that leader in the future, the person pronouncing that judgment will find that people will not want to work with him/her.*

### **LAW THREE**

#### **WHATSOEVER A MAN SOWETH, THAT SHALL HE ALSO REAP**

**Gal. 6:7** “Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.”

**Effect of Disobedience:** You will reap what you sow in the same way that every math formula must balance.

### **LAW FOUR**

#### **YOU MUST FORGIVE IN ORDER TO RECEIVE FORGIVENESS**

**Mark 11:24-26** “...if you have anything against anyone, forgive him, that your Father in heaven may also forgive you your trespasses. But if you do not forgive, neither will your Father in heaven forgive your trespasses.”

**Effect of Disobedience:** If you refuse to forgive someone who offends you, God will not forgive you. If you need grace, you must be willing to extend grace. When you don't forgive, you are hurting yourself not the person who offended you. Note: Forgiveness does not excuse the person for what they did, it releases God and God alone to be the righteous judge.

Satan's master plan is to use science to destroy trust in the absolute moral laws of God. Look how he is succeeding. Masses of people are ignoring the consequences of violating moral laws thinking scientific advances will save them. We see scores of people reaping the consequences of their moral disobedience. Even so they remain blinded to the cause of their suffering. They don't see that they are walking out the consequence of their improper judgments. They blindly blame others for their problems while they themselves are the cause.

In the prior generation most, even unbelievers, had a fear of God's moral laws. A generalized fear of crossing-the-line caused many to stop short. This is no longer the case. Our generation is not protected as even unbelievers were in the prior generation who had a fear of God. The majority no longer believe in moral absolutes.

**Ps. 119:9-10** *“Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way? By taking heed thereto according to thy word. With my whole heart have I sought thee: O let me not wander from thy commandments.”* The law needs to be in one's heart not just on his lips.