

We Live the Commandments Today



CHAPTER 12 Study Guide

Keep these ideas in mind as you study **Chapter 12**.

God implants natural laws in our hearts. They are made known to us by God and through human reason. The Israelites knew many of these laws before God gave them the commandments.

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Jesus summarized the first group of commandments, which focuses on our relationship with God, in his Great Commandment. He summarized the second group, which focuses on our relationships with others, in his new commandment.

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By working for social justice, we challenge society to say no to things that interfere with our ability to live as a united people.

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Practices such as astrology or spiritualism show a lack of trust in God.

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We show our love for God through prayer, in which we raise our hearts and minds to God.

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Asking God to witness to the truth of what someone says is to make an oath. Lying while under oath or asking God to witness a lie is called perjury.

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Blasphemy is using the name of God, Jesus Christ, the Virgin Mary, or one of the saints in an offensive or hateful way.

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The liturgical year is made up of the celebrations of the whole mystery of Christ.

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Holy days of obligation are special celebrations on which we are required to celebrate the Eucharist.

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Ordinary Time occurs between the seasons of Christmas and Lent, Easter and Advent.

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