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Deuteronomy 22:1–12

AN ORDERLY SOCIETY

SIX LAWS FOR LIFE UNDER GOD

Sermon Questions

1. To understand God's law, we must know that _____ comes first.
2. The law was given so that Israel could merit God's love and grace. (True/False)
3. God is a God of _____, and his people are to be people of _____.
4. List the six principles mentioned in the sermon (*you'll need to return to this question throughout*):
    i. Protecting our neighbor's _____.
    ii. Maintaining the difference between _____.
    iii. _____ God's creation.
    iv. Keeping others from _____ or injury.
    v. Retaining God's natural _____.
    vi. Watching what you _____.
5. The "brother" in this text is restricted to our brothers by blood. (True/False)
6. These laws carry no sanctions, but the penalty is still there: a _____ society.
7. It is hateful to say that male and female cannot be combined, blended, or reversed. (True/False)
8. Verses 6–7 broadly apply to sustainability and _____.
9. In God's design, who was responsible to guard others from danger?
    i. All of us, as a shared, or common, responsibility.
    ii. A bureaucratic state that permits/regulates every potential danger.
10. Order and responsibility begin in our _____, transformed by the gospel of Jesus Christ.
11. Which NT verse calls us not to be unequally yoked? _____
12. Since God looks at the heart, our clothing does not matter. (True/False)
13. We need symbols to _____ us of God's grace and our duty to serve him.

Discussion Questions

1. God redeemed Israel before he gave the law, and he saves us by grace, not by works. Why must we read these laws in the order "grace first, instruction later," and how does that shape the way we obey them?

2. The law to protect a neighbor's lost property (vv. 1–4) lies behind the parable of the Good Samaritan. What small, tangible acts of care at home, at church, and on our street would make us lights in our community?

3. God made male and female distinct and forbids mixing what he has made separate (vv. 5, 9–11). Where does our culture blur his created order, and how should we honor these distinctions in our homes, our dress, and whom we marry?

4. Order and responsibility begin in hearts transformed by the gospel and are learned in the home. Where do our households need to grow in shared responsibility, and how does Christ's grace motivate that work?

5. What was your most significant take-away from this passage and sermon?

Discussion Questions for Children

1. God told his people to return a lost ox or sheep to its owner. What can you do this week to help a neighbor or take care of something that belongs to someone else?

2. We do not obey God to make him love us; he saved us first through Jesus. How does knowing Jesus loves you first make you want to obey him?