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The Ten Words

Understanding & Obeying the Ten Commandments

You Shall Not Murder
Exodus 20:13

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Exodus 20:13 (ESV)

¹³“You shall not murder.

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What this command does not prohibit...

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What this command does not prohibit...
Self-Defense

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Exodus 22:2-3 (ESV)

²If a thief is found breaking in and is struck so that he dies, there shall be no bloodguilt for him,

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³but if the sun has risen on him, there shall be bloodguilt for him. He shall surely pay. If he has nothing, then he shall be sold for his theft.

What this command does not prohibit...
Capital Punishment

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Romans 13:4 (ESV)

⁴for he is God's servant for your good. But if you do wrong, be afraid, for he does not bear the sword in vain. For he is the servant of God, an avenger who carries out God's wrath on the wrongdoer.

Exodus 21:12 (ESV)

¹²“Whoever strikes a man so that he dies shall be put to death.

Genesis 9:6 (ESV)

⁶“Whoever sheds the blood of man,
by man shall his blood be shed,
for God made man in his own image.

What this command does not prohibit...
War

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What this command does prohibit...
Murder

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What this command does prohibit...
Suicide

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Psalm 139:14 (ESV)

¹⁴I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.

Wonderful are your works;
my soul knows it very well.

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What this command does prohibit...
Abortion

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Psalm 139:13 (ESV)

¹³For you formed my inward parts;
you knitted me together in my mother's
womb.

What this command does prohibit...
Euthanasia

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Murder is ultimately Satanic

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What did Jesus have to say
about this command?

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Matthew 5:21-26 (ESV)

²¹“You have heard that it was said to those of old, ‘You shall not murder; and whoever murders will be liable to judgment.’

Matthew 5:21-26 (ESV)

²²But I say to you that everyone who is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment; whoever insults his brother will be liable to the council; and whoever says, 'You fool!' will be liable to the hell of fire.

Matthew 5:21-26 (ESV)

²³So if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you,

Matthew 5:21-26 (ESV)

²⁴leave your gift there before the altar and go.
First be reconciled to your brother, and then
come and offer your gift.

Matthew 5:21-26 (ESV)

²⁵Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are going with him to court, lest your accuser hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you be put in prison.

Matthew 5:21-26 (ESV)

²⁶Truly, I say to you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny.

What hope do we have?

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Matthew 26:42 (ESV)

⁴²Again, for the second time, he went away and prayed, “My Father, if this cannot pass unless I drink it, your will be done.”

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