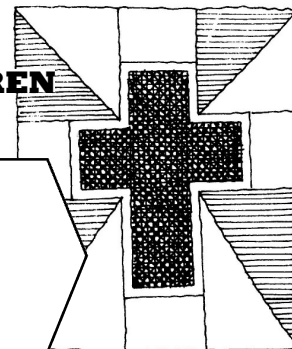




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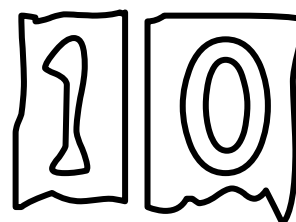
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GOD'S LAWS (1)

The Ten Commandments

Complete this passage, using these words:

God — covenant — Ten Commandments — respect — Christian — Sinai — happy

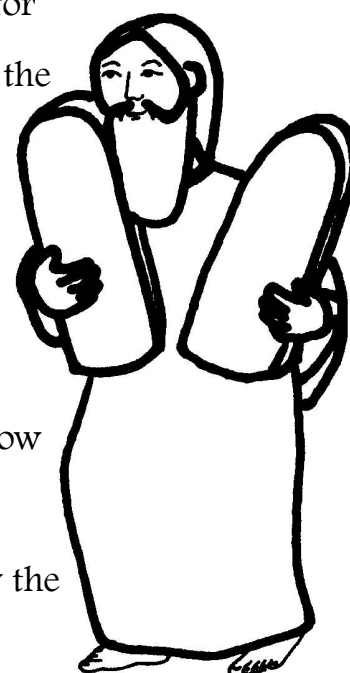


THE COMMANDMENTS

Moses needed time to think and to pray. He went up Mount _____ alone. He camped there for a few days. Then _____ spoke to Moses in his heart. God said: "I choose the Jews as my people. I will be with them and care for them forever. I promise to be their God if they promise to be my people".

This promise between God and the Jews is called the _____. In the covenant God and the Jews agreed to keep their promise to each other. Then God gave the people a gift. God gave them ten rules called the _____. For the Jews this was the biggest sign of all that God really cared for them. "Follow these commandments," God said, "and you will be the happiest people on earth."

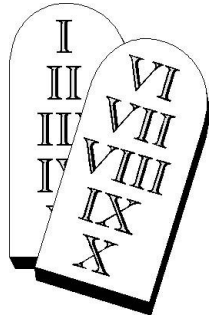
The Jews began to practise following the Commandments. They began to _____ God. They always tried to respect each other. The Jews did their best to follow the Commandments. Today, thousands of years later, _____ people follow the same Commandments. The Commandments show us how to respect God, people and things. God promises us that if we follow the Commandments we will be _____.



Read the 10 Commandments. Can you explain what each of them means?

LOVE GOD

1. You shall not have other gods before Me.
2. You shall not take the Name of the Lord in vain.
3. Remember to keep holy the Lord's day.



LOVE ONE ANOTHER

4. Honour your father and your mother.
5. You shall not kill.
6. You shall not commit adultery.
7. You shall not steal.
8. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.
9. You shall not covet your neighbour's wife.
10. You shall not covet your neighbour's goods.

How are we going to practise the 10 commandments?

Write some examples in the two hearts:

