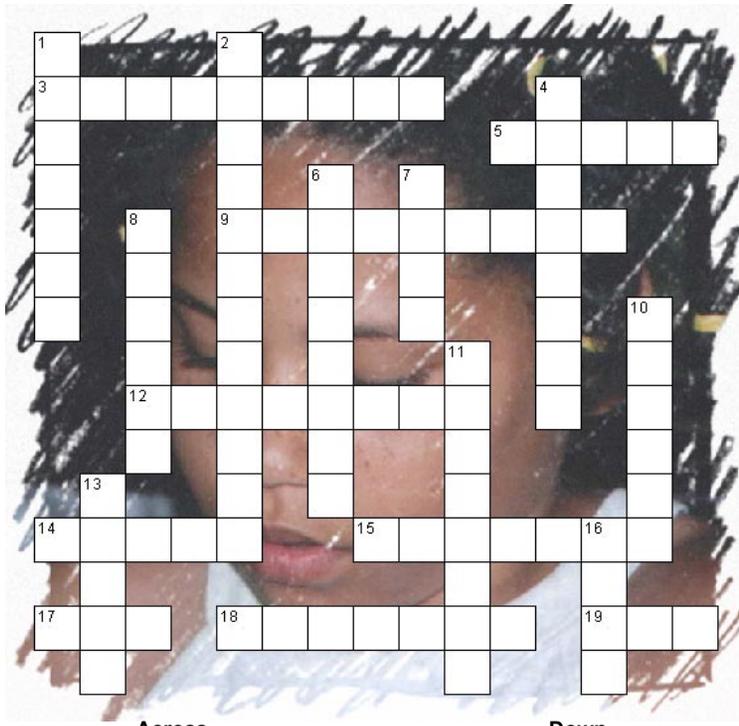


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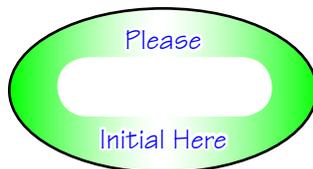


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| 3. Only God has _____ over man's life. | 1. God created _____ as the last work... |
| 5. The _____ commandment... | 2. The Ten _____. |
| 9. ...colors, races, languages, _____ | 4. ...in the image and _____ of God... |
| 12. ...the last work of God's _____. | 6. Murder _____ God's life-giving sovereignty. |
| 14. ...colors, _____, languages, abilities... | 7. God is the source of the human _____. |
| 15. God is the _____ of all human life. | 8. God is the _____ of the human life. |
| 17. The Creator of all human life. | 10. To kill intentionally with evil intent. |
| 18. Murder is _____ God's law. | 11. The human life is the most important item in the _____ to God. |
| 19. The Ten Commandments, as part of God's _____. | 13. God does not _____ one person over another. |
| | 16. _____ God has authority over man's life. |

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The Ten Commandments

- Lesson Twelve -

The Sixth Commandment (1) You Shall Not Murder

I. Overview.

God is the only one who has absolute authority over human life. To murder, to kill a human life intentionally with bad intent, is to violate God's absolute sovereignty over man. To murder is against God's purpose, God's loving nature and God Himself. God created man in his own image for His own purpose and pleasure. God gave man his life and existence.

To murder is to completely disregard God as the Creator of all men and to act in harmony with God's enemy, the Devil, who hates God and man, and is a murderer from the beginning. Because murder is so much against God and against His purpose, the Ten Commandments forbid murder. God's law reveals to us the things that God likes and the things that He does not like. The Ten Commandments tell us how we should live our life and are very clear that we should never murder.



God is the source of human life.
Only God has absolute
authority over human life.

II. Memory Verse.

"The God who made the world and all things in it, this One, being Lord of heaven and earth... He Himself gives live and breath..."

(Acts 17:24-25)

III. Lesson.

To murder is the intentional taking of a human being's life (not an animal's) with evil intent. Murder is not accidental. To murder is against God's law because it is against His loving nature and against His purpose. It violates God's life-giving sovereignty. God is the only one who gives life and therefore only God has authority over man's life.

God is Revealed in the Ten Commandments

The Ten Commandments, as part of the law of God, reveal to us what kind of Person God is. The Ten Commandments show us the things that God likes and the things that God does not like. The sixth commandment tells us that we should not murder. We can see from this that God highly values human life. We know that God is the Giver of human life and He is the only one who can take it away.



God is the giver of every kind of life.

God created mankind as the last work of His creation. Man was created in a very particular manner – in the image and likeness of God. Man was also created for a particular purpose – to be for God, to express and represent Him. Man was created by God, he is for God and he belongs to God.

God is personally and directly the source of human life. The human life is the most important item in the universe to God. James 3:9-10 tell us that because man was made in God's image, we should never curse another person, for that is to insult God as man's Creator. To despise human life is to despise its Creator. To honor human life is to honor its Creator.

God Has Authority Over All Human Life

Since God is the Creator of all human life, He alone has authority over it. God created human beings of many different colors, races, languages, abilities and intelligence. God is not a respecter of persons – which means that He does not favor one person over another. He loves all mankind and He alone is the Author of life. Only God, the source of human life, has the authority to take man's life. God has, however, given authority to man to execute murders and evil doers since the time of Noah. But no man should purposely kill another person out of evil intent. This is a great offense to God who is the source of life.

--- Questions for Discussion ---

1. What does it mean to murder?

2. Why is it that God is the only one who has absolute authority over human life?

3. What is the most important item to God?"

4. Why should we never curse or despise another?"

