

MADE HOLY

God is HOLY

God is RELATIONAL

God RECONCILES

We have been MADE in God's IMAGE

Matthew 22 (ESV)

³⁷ "You shall love the Lord your God

with all your heart

and with all your soul

and with all your mind

³⁸ This is the great and first commandment

³⁹ And a second is like it:

You shall love your neighbour as yourself

The first Commandment (Jesus was quoting Deuteronomy 6)

The Israelites were to...

1. FEAR and KNOW the LORD their God
2. LOVE God with their ALL (Heart, Soul & Might)
3. REMEMBER God, in every circumstance

And for us as believers today...

God established a new COVENANT (HEART & SPIRIT)

We now love God, not simply an EMOTION or FEELING

Loving God in a way that leads to positive ACTION

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The second Commandment (Jesus was quoting Leviticus 19)

Leviticus is a book that is very much about HOLINESS

That God is HOLY (set apart)

God established a sacrificial system to ATONE for (cover) sin.

Atoning sacrifices RECONCILED people with the one Holy God

God's people were called to be SET APART (made Holy by God)

Leviticus 19 (ESV)

Love your neighbour...

- A. through your WORDS, ACTIONS & BEHAVIOUR
- B. by GIVING to those who are in need
- C. as you deal JUSTLY & HONESTLY with all people
- D. by not SLANDERING or HATING others
- E. by not taking VENGEANCE or holding a GRUDGE

Hebrews 9

Jesus Christ is the atoning sacrifice (foreshadowed in Leviticus)

Jesus, our HIGH PRIEST fulfils all the RITUALS and laws

Jesus is the PURE, perfect, spotless SACRIFICIAL lamb

2 Corinthians 5

In Christ, you are now a new creation, RECONCILED to God

In Christ, you are in the MINISTRY of reconciliation

In Christ, you are now an AMBASSADOR for God.