



10 COMMANDMENTS

DISCUSSION GUIDE

The Seventh Commandment: Fidelity

(Deuteronomy 5.1-6, 18)

Week following 10/28/2018

WELCOME

Since it's still early in the year, spend some time having everyone introduce themselves. Go around the room and have everyone share their name, where they live, what they do during the day, etc. Also talk about your group schedule and format, expectations, how your meetings will go, etc.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Share the following things coming up in the life of the church:

- **Mazatlan Mission Trip | March 25-20, 2019**

Join us in visiting our mission partners and assisting them as they give hope for today and care for tomorrow to orphans in Mazatlan, Mexico. Kids 7 and up can come as well. The cost of the trip is \$1638 and a deposit of \$125 is due November 4 (to hold your spot). Contact Pastor Ryan (ryan.zhang@newcitycincy.org) for more information, or to register.

- **Halloween on the Front Steps | October 31**

Please consider coming to church on Halloween Night to help us hand out treats to our neighborhood children. We have been doing this for the past few years and find it to be a wonderful way to reach out to our neighbors in Norwood. Feel free to dress up to join in the festive Halloween spirit, or just come as you are. I think you'll be pleased by how fulfilling this will be, not only for the families who pass by, but for you, as well. Trick or Treat time is 6-8 p.m. New City will provide the candy – just show up and be ready to have fun! Questions? Reach out to Melissa Briner: melissajbriner@gmail.com with question. RSVP on The City.

- **Missional Motherhood | Thursday, November 1st 9a**

With the holidays around the corner, please join moms of all ages as we discuss ideas for choosing Christ-oriented traditions with intention. We'll meet in the Lower Level of the Church, childcare and breakfast provided. RSVP required by Mon, Oct 22, if you need childcare. Join The "Missional Motherhood" Group on the The City for updates & info. Contact Nancy Musser: nancyrosemusser@gmail.com or (513) 233-1128

- **New City Guys' Open Gym Basketball | Mondays in Sept and Oct 7-9p**

Guys...join us at the Sharpsburg Elementary gym (4400 Smith Rd) from 7-9 pm on Monday nights in Sept. and Oct. We are asking everyone who comes to bring \$10 if they can to offset the cost to the church. Reach out to Patrick Clinton with questions: pdclinton@gmail.com

- **Gem of the Highlands 5K | November 10, 2018 8:30a**

Join our Norwood neighbors in the first annual Gem of the Highlands 5K. Run or walk through some of our favorite streets in the beautiful presidential district of Norwood. 100% of proceeds each year will go back to municipal needs and initiatives that benefit the community. This year, they are focusing on Norwood parks. Sign up today: norwoodrun.com

OPENING PRAYER

Open your group in prayer. Pray extemporaneously, or use this prayer:

Father in heaven, we pray that you would give us eyes to see and ears to hear as we spend time together this evening opening your Scriptures and discussing what it means for our lives. Help us spur one another on toward love and good deeds, for your glory. Amen.

ICBREAKER

Given the Halloween season, what's your favorite candy of all time?

STUDY/DISCUSSION

1. **Read Deuteronomy 5:1-6, 18.** How would you define adultery?
2. Author Kurt Vonnegut once wrote *"My own feeling is that if adultery is wickedness then so is food. Both make me feel so much better afterward."* What is your response to that quote?
3. In what ways is adultery promoted/celebrated in our media and entertainment? How is that a challenge to this commandment and our lives?
4. If all God's people are called to chastity, what does that entail for those who are married and those who are single?
5. **Read Genesis 1:28 and Genesis 2:21-25** From these verses what is God's creational design for sex and sexuality? What its purpose?
6. The Westminster Larger Catechism Q. 138 lays out duties required in the 7th commandment. Read through this list and talk about what stands out to you. How can you grow in keeping this commandment?
 - chastity in body, mind, affections words and behavior, and the preservation of it in ourselves and others.
 - watchfulness over the eye and all the senses
 - temperance
 - keeping of chaste company, modesty in apparel.
 - diligent labor in our callings,
 - shunning all occasions of uncleanness, and resisting temptations thereunto.
7. Most of us struggle with the 7th commandment in some way shape or form. How can we encourage and support one another as a community in our pursuit of chastity?
8. How does Jesus fulfill the 7th Commandment?

PRAY

Take some time to pray together. This can be done together as a whole group, or in smaller groups. Exchange prayer requests. You may also use the prayer below if it's helpful. (And

leaders, follow up with a post on the City or as a “Resource” in Planning Center with a list of prayer requests as a reminder to be praying for one another).