



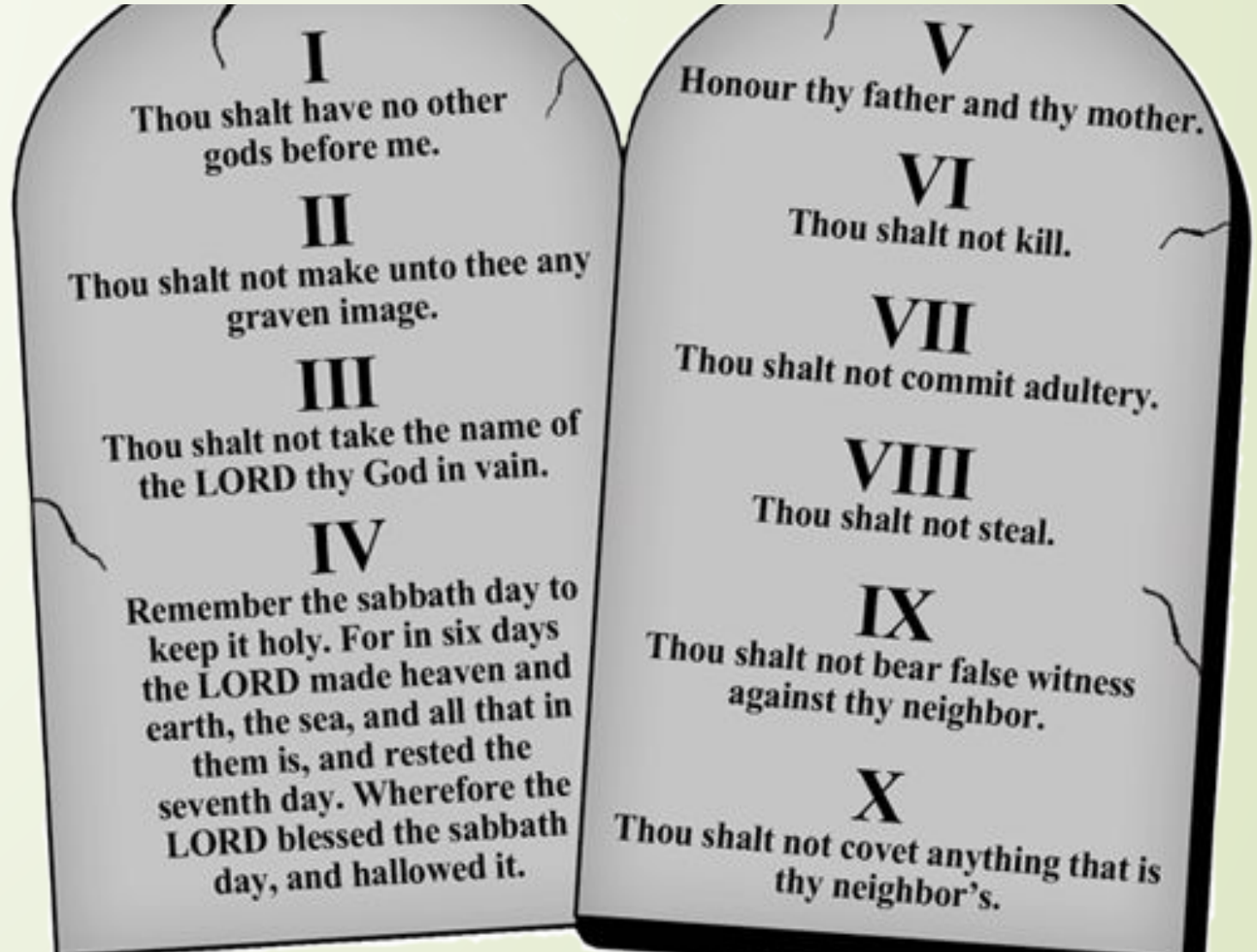
The Mercy seat

Ark of the Covenant ~ Exodus 25:10-22



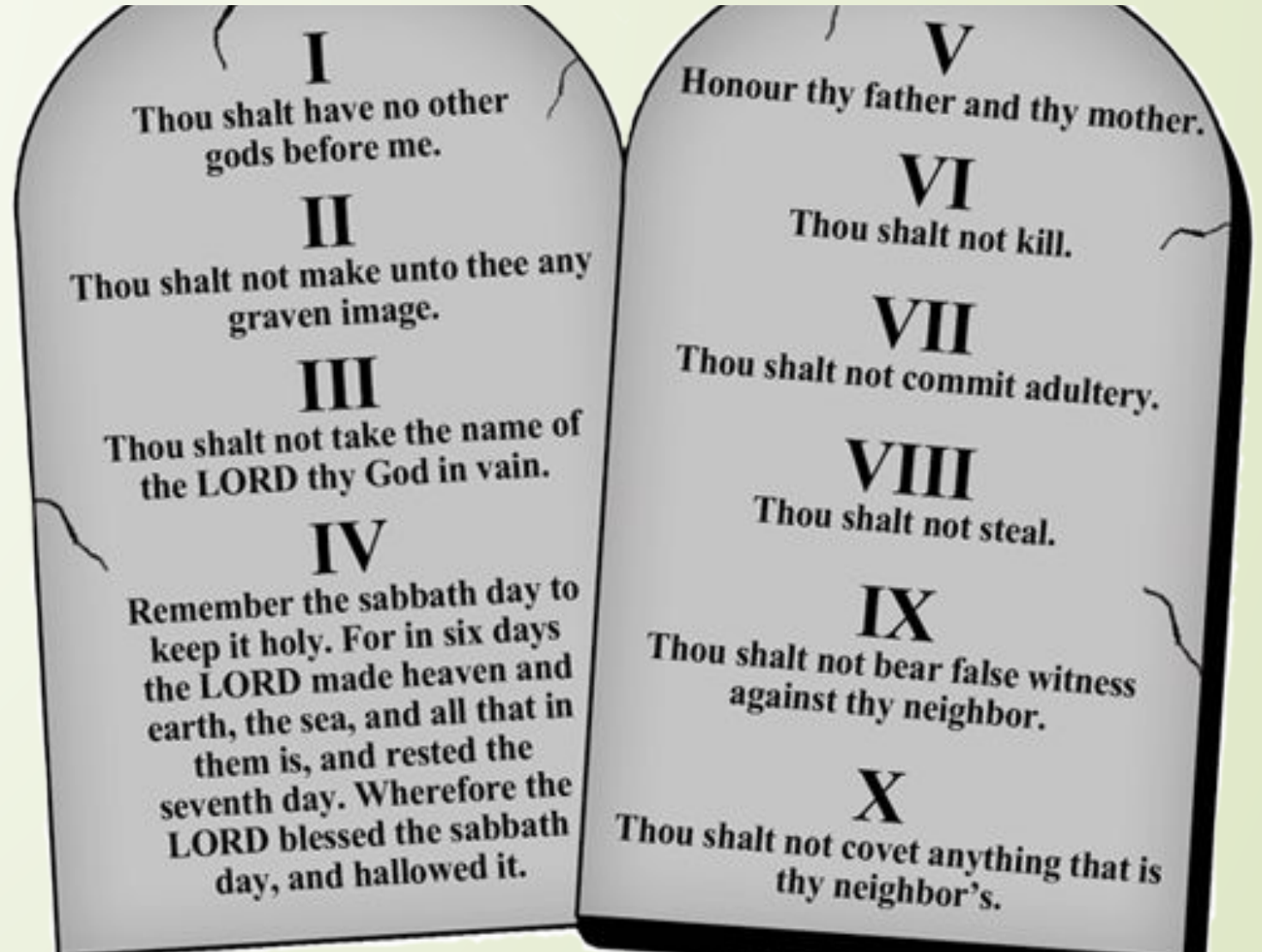
Beneath the mercy seat

- The tablets with the ten commandments
 - Symbol of God's covenant with his people



Beneath the mercy seat

- The tablets with the ten commandments
 - Exodus 25:16
 - Then put in the Ark the tablets of the covenant law, which I will give you



Beneath the mercy seat

- The tablets with the ten commandments
- Aaron's staff
 - Symbol of rebellion



Beneath the mercy seat

- The tablets with the ten commandments
- Aaron's staff
 - Numbers 17:10
 - The Lord said to Moses, "Put back Aaron's staff in front of the ark of the covenant law, to be kept as a sign to the rebelliousness. This will put an end to their grumbling against me, so they will not die"



Beneath the mercy seat

- The tablets with the ten commandments
- Aaron's staff
- Bowl of manna
 - God's provision



Beneath the mercy seat

- The tablets with the ten commandments
- Aaron's staff
- Bowl of manna
 - Exodus 16: 32-33
 -"This is what the Lord has commanded: 'Take an omer of manna and keep it for the generations to come, so they can see the bread I gave you to eat in the wilderness when I brought you out of Egypt'"





The atonement cover ~ Mercy seat

- Exodus 40:20
- Moses took the tablets of the covenant law and placed them in the Ark, attached the poles to the ark and put the atonement cover on it



Sacrifice of Atonement

- Leviticus 16:15-16
- “ He shall then slaughter the goat for the sin offering for the people and take its blood behind the curtain and do with it as he did with the bull’s blood: He shall sprinkle it on the atonement cover and in front of it. In this way he will make atonement for the most holy place because of the uncleanness and rebellion of the Israelites, Whatever their sins have been.



Slow to anger

- Exodus 34:6-7
- ..."The Lord, the Lord, the compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness, maintaining love to thousands, and forgiving wickedness, rebellion and sin. Yet he does not leave the guilty unpunished"...



Consequences of sin

- Romans 6: 23
- For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Jesus Christ our Lord



The mercy seat

Sin and death conquered
forever.

Luke 24:1-7



Restoration

- Hebrews 4: 14,16
- Therefore since we have a great high priest who has ascended into heaven, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess. Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need



The mercy
seat ~
What does
this mean
for you?

Do you know Jesus?

Is there anything keeping
you from him?