

The Precepts  
of the  
Decalogue

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## Precepts of the Decalogue

### 1

*After the last judgment was accomplished, a new church was promised, which is meant by the new Jerusalem in Revelation*

1. Explain chapter 21 from verse 1 to the end. Also chapter 22:1–5.

2. From other parts of the Word, that by Jerusalem is meant the church; as in the following passages:

Isa. 1:1; 4:4; 9:1; 2:1; 3:8; 5:4; 7:1; 10:10–12, 32; 22:10; 31:5; 33:20; 36:2, 7, 20; 37:10, 22, 32; 40:2; 41:27; 44:26, 28; 62:1, 7; 64:10; 65:18; 66:10, 20; 27:13; 30:19; 2:3; 3:1; 4:3, 4; 24:23; 28:14; 31:9; 65:19; 66:13; 5:3; 8:14; 22:21; 11:9; 51:17; 52:1, 2, 9; 57:6.

The daughter of Jerusalem, Lam. 2:13, 15; Micah 4:8; Zeph. 3:14; Zech. 9:9.

Jer. 1:3, 15; 2:2; 3:17; 4:3, 10, 11; 5:1; 6:1; 7:17, 34; 8:5; 9:10, 11; 11:6, 13; 13:9; 14:2, 16; 17:19, 21, 26, 27; 19:7, 13; 22:19; 23:14, 15; 25:18; 26:18; 27:3, 20, 21; 29:2; 32:2, 44; 33:10, 13, 16; 34:19; 35:11; 36:9, 31; 37:5, 11, 12; 38:28; 39:1, 8; 40:1; 44:2, 6, 9, 13, 17, 21; 51:35, 50; 52:12–14; 4:16; 6:6; 34:1, 7, 19; 52:4; 27:18; 29:25; 34:8; 35:11; 24:1, 8; 27:20; 29:1, 2, 4, 20; 4:5; 15:4; 34:6; 52:1, 3; 4:4; 8:1; 11:2, 9, 12; 13:13; 17:20, 25; 18:11; 19:3; 25:2; 32:32; 35:13, 17; 42:18; 4:14; 6:8; 52:29, 13:27; 15:5.

Lam. 1:7, 8, 17; 2:10; 4:12.

Ezek. 4:1, 7; 5:5; 8:3; 9:4, 8; 13:16; 14:21, 22; 16:2, 3; 17:12; 21:2, 20, 22; 22:19; 23:4; 33:21; 36:38; 24:2; 26:2; 4:16; 12:10; 11:15; 12:19; 15:6.

Dan. 1:1; 6:10; 9:2, 12, 16, 25; 5:2, 3; 9:7.

Joel 3:1, 5, 6, 16, 17, 20.

Amos 2:5; 1:2.

Obad. 11, 20.

Mic. 1:1, 5, 9, 12; 3:10, 12; 4:2.

Zech. 1:12, 14, 16, 17, 19; 2:2, 4, 12; 3:2; 7:7; 8:3, 4, 8, 15; 12:2, 3, 6; 14:4, 10, 11, 17; 12:2, 9; 14:2, 12, 16; 14:8, 14; 9:10; 8:22; 12:6, 11; 14:21; 12:5, 7, 8, 10; 13:1.

Mal. 3:4; 2:11.

Zeph. 1:4, 12; 3:16.

David, Ps. 51:18; 79:1, 3; 122:3, 6; 125:2; 128:5; 137:6, 7; 147:2; 68:29; 135:21; 102:21; 116:19; 122:2; 137:5; 147:12.

3. Something concerning the things that precede in Revelation; as concerning the dragon and the scarlet beast, and concerning their destruction.

4. Concerning the last judgment; it has been described, and is further to be described.

5. Why a new church is established, when the last judgment is accomplished.

6. It was not done before, lest holy things should be profaned.

7. It was then promised, that the spiritual sense of the Word was to be disclosed; and that the Lord alone is the Word.

8. Concerning his coming at that time.

9. On this account heaven has been opened to me.

2

*Now is the end of church, and with few at this day is there any religion*

1. It is not known concerning the Lord, that he is the only God, who governs heaven and earth; thus that God is one in person and essence, in whom is a trinity, when yet all religion is founded upon a knowledge of God, and upon the adoration and worship of him.

2. It is not known that faith is nothing else but truth; and it is not known whether that which they call faith is truth, or not. Take certain things from the small work concerning the Lord.

3. There is a faith at this day; and tell what it is; . . . also there are degrees of justification; whether they are truths may be concluded from the following:

4. If this is faith, there is no need of truths, nor any need of charity, nor indeed of the knowledge of them.

5. It is not known what charity is.

6. Neither are evil and good known.

3

*Every man is a man after death, and then he is his love; and his love is his life, which remains to everyone to eternity*

1. Everyone is examined after death as to what his love is.

2. Every spirit is his affection.

3. The whole heaven is distinguished into societies according to the varieties of the affections, and the whole hell according to the varieties of the lusts.

4. Such as a man's affection is, such is his thought.

4

*The devil dwells with man in the evils of his life, and the Lord in the goods of his life*

5

*To shun evils is to do good, and this is religion itself*

1. Some things concerning combats and temptations.

2. To shun evils is nothing else but to shun the devil; and as far as a man does this, he is conjoined to the Lord, and heaven is opened; and until then he is in hell.

6

*The man who shuns evils because they are sins has faith, and so much of faith as he shuns them*

1. There are truths of faith and truths of life. As far as the truths of life are made to be of one's life, so far the truths of faith are made to be of one's faith, and not in the least more or less.

2. Enumerate the truths of faith, which otherwise are science, and not faith.

3. On the exhortation of the English before the holy supper, and also that of the Swedes, also from *obotfärdigas förhinder*.

4. Therefore there are two tables, and they are called a covenant; as far as the one is done by man, so far the other is opened.

7

*The ten precepts of the decalogue contain all the things of religion in a summary*

1. Many things concerning the sanctity of the Decalogue.

Recapitulation

A recapitulation of the seven articles, and that it can be denied by no one, but that they are religion itself.