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The Ten Commandments are essential to all christian lives because they tell us how we should live our lives for christ. The ten commandments are You shall have no other Gods before me, You shall not make for yourselves an idol. You shall not misuse the name of the LORD your God, Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy, Honor your father and your mother, You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery, You shall not steal, You shall not give false testimony, and You shall not covet. These are the commandments we must follow in order to live most of the christian life.

Now do we necessarily need to follow the commandments I say yes and so does the New Testament. In the new testament we have John tell us to follow the commands so you can show compassion and overall love for one another like God wanted us to "If you love me, you will keep my commandments" (John 14:15)(WHAT'S NEW ABOUT THE "NEW" COMMANDMENT? - JOHN 13:34-35). This shows how we as christians no matter what should follow the commandments even in the old testament and in the new. The commandments to me is the small scale of the big picture which is our relationship with God and these rules are points that help us with our relationship with God because it'll be easier to communicate with him where no wrong doing is being done. One thing I will say is that I believe that following the

commandments are the goal but if you fall short a couple of times or even a million but still go to God to help you out of this situation then I feel that that's where true salvation comes. Because trying to be perfect leads to a bunch of things God doesn't want us to deal with so I feel that if we are who we are and still chose to have that relationship with God then true salvation is found.

Now the new testament tells us that we don't need to follow the ways of the old testament because of how it was basically being called "Out dated". "However, what's really happening is this: As we've seen above with nine of the Ten Commandments, certain other Old Testament/Mosaic age laws and rules were also reinstated for believers in the Christian age, but definitely not all of them or even the majority of them." (Thou shalt not obey the Ten Commandments? By Gregg Nydegger HJ Religion Columnist). This tells us that we could follow all ten but we don't have to because of how outdated the other 9 commandments are which gives us the idea to just follow the first commandment only. Sounds very confusing at first but if you look into them you can see where there's some sense even though I choose to follow all of the commandments. Now do we truly need to follow all of the commandments, I feel we should because of how important they are to our core as followers.

Discussing the idea of if we should follow the commandments has been a question I feel we as Christians have had for centuries because of how we had not only so many different versions but even new and old testaments of the Bible but after all of this you can see that the commandments almost stay the same so I believe that we should follow all of the commandments to our best ability. I feel that trying to follow all of the commandments are

important because I feel that we all as followers fall at times but we can get back up because of the love Christ has for us. I feel the commandments are just a small rule book to the big reality we have to live in this crazy world, but with this I feel we can get through everything with it. We should follow the rules of Christ so we can have a better relationship with him because with Christ we're gifted internal life instead of death.

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