

The Fruit from the Spirit
The Change in the meaning of 'Love'

I. Review of New Testament 'love'.

1. Part of the fruit from the Spirit (Gal. 5:22).
2. New in quality (Jn. 13:34).
3. New standard:
 - 1) Now "as I loved you", a divine enabling.
 - 2) Was "as you love yourself" (Mt. 22:39; Mk. 12:31).
4. New neighbor: now another Christian was another Jew (Eph. 4:25; Lev. 19:18).

II. The New Commandment is not a modification of the Ten Commandments.

1. "New" in quality: fresh, recently made.
2. Not stated in negative terms as the 10 commandments.
3. The New Commandment cannot be 'broken'.
4. The New Commandment has no stated penalty.

III. All except one of the 10 Commandments is conceptually restated in the New Testament where they become indications of carnality; this does not mean that Christians have lower standards.

1. The 10 Commandments were general rules that 'make sense' in a civil society, with one exception (Rom. 2:14).
2. The Law consisted of the 10 Commandments, the statutes, and the judgments (Duet. 7:11, Rom. 7:7).
3. All The Law was to be followed, no picking and choosing (Gal. 5:2-3).
4. The Law was a ministry of death (2 Cor. 3:7).
5. The Law was designed to cause a remembrance of sin—guilt (Heb. 10:1-3).
6. The Law was designed to expose the sin propensity/nature of mankind (Rom. 7:7).

Exodus 20:3-17 cf. Galatians 5:22-23

10 Commandments	Penalty for Breaking	New Testament Prohibition
I. “No other gods above my face”	Death (Duet. 17:2-7)	(1 Jn. 5:21 <i>cf.</i> Col. 3:5)
II. “No carved images for worship”	Death (Ex. 22:20).	(1 Cor. 10:7)
III. “Do not take Name in vain”	Death (Lev. 24:16).	(Col. 3:8)
IV. “Keep the Sabbath”	Death (Ex. 35:2-3; 31:13-17).	None: (<i>N.B.</i> Rom. 14:5-6)
V. “Honor parents”	Death (Ex; 21:15, 17; Lev. 20:9).	(Eph. 6:1-2; Col. 3:20)
VI. “Do not murder”	Death (Ex. 21:12, 29; Lev. 24:17).	(1 Pet. 4:15).
VII. “Do not commit adultery”	Death (Lev. 20:10-15).	(1 Cor. 6:18).
VIII. “Do not steal”	Sometimes Death (Ex. 21:16; Duet. 24:7). Other times proportional restitution (Ex. 22:1-5).	(1 Pet. 4:15).
IX. “Do not lie”	Proportional (Duet. 19:15-21).	(Col. 3:9)
X. “Do not covet other’s things”	<i>Cf.</i> Rom. 7:7: covet = lust: covetousness, greed, idolatry.	Not focusing on things above (Col. 3:1-2).