

Sunday Sermon Recap

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1. Title: You Shall Have No Other Gods Before Me
2. Speaker: Pastor Harry Sexton
3. Link to Sermon: https://www.youtube.com/live/L_7Wfy6nMTI
4. Date of Sermon: 10/11/26
5. Main Bible Verse: Exodus 20:3 – “You shall have no other gods before me.”

6. Summary and Highlights

Pastor Harry began a new 10-week series on the Ten Commandments (the “ten words”) after finishing Proverbs. The first five commandments address our relationship with God; the second five address relationships with people.

Focusing on the First Commandment, God first identifies Himself as the One who brought Israel out of slavery, then gives a personal, non-negotiable command: exclusive allegiance to Him alone. “Before me” literally means “before My face”—nothing may stand beside or rival Him. Loyalty is measured not mainly by Sunday or Wednesday attendance, but in private thoughts and everyday choices.

Modern idols that compete for first place include wealth, technology/digital connectivity, entertainment/pleasure, personal image, work/achievement, relationships/family, and comfort/safety/health. Anything elevated above God becomes an idol that owns us and leads to bondage.

Practical steps to cultivate exclusive devotion:

1. Daily Scripture intake (Psalm 119:11)
2. Make Sunday and Wednesday non-negotiable—create space for worship instead of consumption (Exodus 20:8–11)
3. Generous giving (2 Corinthians 9:7)
4. Corporate worship that reorients our affections toward God
5. Accountability among believers—“iron sharpens iron” (Proverbs 27:17)
6. Key Takeaway

The first commandment is God’s loving protection. Name any rival that has claimed first place, confess it, share it with trusted believers, and return to exclusive devotion to the one true God who alone offers true freedom.

Romans Road – Gospel Presentation & Prayer of Salvation

All have sinned (Romans 3:23). The wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus (Romans 6:23). God demonstrates His love in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us (Romans 5:8). If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved (Romans 10:9).

Prayer of Salvation: “Lord Jesus, I know I am a sinner. I believe You died for my sins and rose again. I turn from my sin and place my trust in You alone as my Savior and Lord. Please forgive me, come into my life, and make me Yours. Amen.”

If you prayed this prayer, we would love to hear from you and walk with you. Please contact us:

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