

BROKEN COMMANDMENTS / *Deuteronomy 5*

The Ten Commandments were God's standards for right living. To obey them was to obey God. Yet throughout the Old Testament, we can see how each commandment was broken. As you read the stories, notice the tragic consequences that occurred as a result of violating God's law.

Ten Commandments

"Do not worship any other gods besides me."

"Do not make idols of any kind. . . . You must never worship or bow down to them."

"Do not misuse the name of the LORD your God."

"Observe the Sabbath day by keeping it holy."

"Honor your father and mother."

"Do not murder."

"Do not commit adultery."

"Do not steal."

"Do not testify falsely against your neighbor."

"Do not covet your neighbor's wife. Do not covet your neighbor's house or land, . . . or anything else your neighbor owns."

Notable Violations

Solomon (1 Kings 11)

The gold calf-idol incident (Exodus 32); generations after Joshua (Judges 2:10-14; 2 Kings 21:1-15; Jeremiah 1:16)

Zedekiah (Ezekiel 17:15-21)

Judah (2 Chronicles 36:21)

Eli's sons—Hophni and Phinehas (1 Samuel 2:12, 23-25)

Hazeal (2 Kings 8:15)

David (2 Samuel 11:2-5)

Ahab (1 Kings 21:1-19)

Saul (1 Samuel 15:13-25)

Achan (Joshua 7:19-26)