



## BIG IDEA

*“For us to be free people, people free from all that enslaves us, free from the false gods we worship, free from the idols that disappoint us even as they demand we give our lives to them, the only way we find freedom is by believing in God’s Word, by trusting in his rescue plan, and by worshiping his Son, Jesus.”*

## THOUGHTS FROM THE SERMON

1. What do you think of the atheist ten commandments for the modern age?
2. How do God’s Ten Commandments make it possible for us to live in freedom?

*Read: Exodus 20:1-3*

3. What does it mean to live for God?
4. How can we be set free so we can live for him?

*Read: Exodus 20:1*

5. Why is reading and studying God’s Word vital to us believing it?
6. Why is it important to read, understand, and believe everything in the Bible, including those parts that challenge us?

*Read: Exodus 20:2*

7. Why do we struggle with the idea of needing to be rescued?
8. What are those things in your life that you have become a slave to or what do you need to be rescued from?

*Read: Exodus 20:3, John 1:1, John 1:14, Luke 22:42, Luke 23:46, Matthew 4:10*

9. We learned that whatever we worship is what we live for. What do you live for? Is it God’s Son? Why is the worship of anything other than him leading to disappointment?
10. As we read these verses, what do we learn about Jesus as the Word and his worship of God?

## NOTES

## PERSONAL REFLECTION AND APPLICATION

1. What has God shown you as you studied his word this week?
2. How are you doing with keeping the first command of God?
3. What idols do you need to address in your life?
4. How does reading God's Word, trusting in his rescue, and worshiping Jesus give you freedom?
5. How will you personally apply what you learned from the sermon to your life?

## DEEPER

**Pray:** Take time to pray that people will find freedom by believing in the Good News.

**Read:** Exodus 20:1-3, John 1:1, John 1:14, Luke 22:42, Luke 23:46, Matthew 4:10. Take time to reflect on these passages and write down your thoughts. Visit [gatewayepc.org/news](http://gatewayepc.org/news) to read and review the sermon manuscript.

**Write:** Take time to write down your thoughts and insights from the sermon this week. Keeping a journal is just one more tool that you can use to track what God is showing you in your walk with him.

**Sing:** Listen to the worship songs from Sunday throughout the week. Look up the lyrics to each song and spend some time reading them as well.

**Memorize:** As a Life Group, pick a few verses from the sermon and memorize them this week. (Exodus 20:1-3, John 1:1, John 1:14, Luke 22:42, Luke 23:46, Matthew 4:10)

**Love:** Share this message of hope with someone you love.