

## 50 Commands of Christ ~ Lesson 1 ~ (Commands #1-6)

Among Jesus' last commands to us are those given in the verses known as "The Great Commission" (Matthew 28:19-20) in which he says, "therefor go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and *teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you*. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." The word disciple itself means "learner or pupil." Thus, it is with this spirit of being a disciple or a learner that we approach these commands.

Before we get to the commands themselves, let us look at two things that Jesus said about obeying his commands.

John 14:15 \_\_\_\_\_

John 14:21, 23 \_\_\_\_\_

Another question: Why should we obey Christ's commands? *Psalm 103:17-18, John 15:10-11*

Now, the commands themselves:

**1. Repent**—*Matthew 4:17, Proverbs 1:23, Psalm 51:1-4, Luke 13:3, Acts 3:19, 8:22, 26:20, Revelation 3:19*

**2. Let not your heart be troubled (don't worry)**—*John 14:27, John 16:33, Matthew 6:25-26, Philippians 4:6-7*

**3. Follow me**—*Matthew 4:19*—so you can \_\_\_\_\_

**4. Rejoice**—*Matthew 5:12, 2 Corinthians 6:10, 12:10, James 1:2-4*. When should we rejoice the most?

**5. Let your light shine**—*Matthew 5:16*. There are two parts to this command

which are \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

Is this command a contradiction to Matthew 6:3-4?

**6. Honor God's law**—*Matthew 5:17-19*. How do we occasionally encourage others to break God's rules? Why is it difficult to practice what we preach?