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Kingdom Life Lesson 16:

God's Good Rules

Today's Story:

Our Heavenly Father made rules for us because he loves us and knows what is best for us. God's good rules are called the **Ten Commandments** and they were given to Moses and God's people in the Old Testament. They are more than just rules. They are laws that have very serious consequences if they are broken.

In our Bible memory verse, Jesus said the two greatest commandments are **loving God and loving others**. This is often called The Summary of the Law, because it is like a summary of the Ten Commandments. The first four commandments are about loving God, and the last six are about loving others. God's laws are wonderful! Our loving Heavenly Father gave us these commandments so we would have a good and safe place to live.

Sometimes we disobey God's good will. That is called sin, and it leads to eternal death. It keeps us from entering God's Holy presence and receiving his life. In the Old Testament, animals had to be sacrificed to pay for people's sins, so people could enter God's presence.

Only one person who ever lived could keep all the commandments perfectly. That person was Jesus. He fulfilled God's Law on our behalf. Therefore, he could become the perfect sacrifice for sin when he died on the cross. Jesus' sacrifice paid for our sins once and for all. We can now have forgiveness for our sins, and we can enter God's holy presence and receive his life through the Holy Spirit.

Loving God is the greatest commandment of all. We need to love God first because he is the source, the beginning, of all love. When we turn our love and attention to Jesus who is the source of love, we become more like him and able to reflect **his** love to others.

Bible Memory Verse: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: Love your neighbour as yourself."

Mark 12:30-31 - paraphrased

My Art Response:

The Ten Commandments

- 1: You shall have no other gods but me**
Love God more than anything else
- 2: You shall not make any idols**
Nothing in your life should be more important than God
- 3: You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain**
Always say God's name with respect and love
- 4: Remember the Sabbath and keep it holy**
Honour God by resting on the 7th day of the week
- 5: Honour your father and your mother**
Love and respect your Dad and Mom
- 6: You shall not kill**
Do not murder anyone. Be kind. Help and protect others.
- 7: You shall not commit adultery**
Always be faithful to your husband or wife
- 8: You shall not steal**
Do not take anything that is not yours. Respect other people's property. Give generously to those in need.
- 9: You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour**
Always tell the truth, and talk about others with kindness.
- 10: You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbour**
Be happy with what you have. Don't wish for what belongs to someone else.

