

## **God's Commandments for the Christian**

**(1 Thessalonians 4:1-12 & 5:12-24)**

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- 1. God's overall goal for the believer is transformation of life; for the believer to live to please God, to be holy and blameless when He comes for us. 1 Thess. 4:1-2; 5:23-24**

God is faithful to do the work of transformation in the believers' lives – So are we will to submit to Him?

### **2. General Commandments:**

- a. **Obey the Holy Spirit and God's Word – 1 Thess. 5:19-22**
- b. **Rejoice, pray, give thanks – manifestations of obedience to God. – 1 Thess. 5:16-18**
- c. **Minister to others in the church family – 1 Thess. 5:14-15**
- d. **Submit to your church leadership – 1 Thess. 5:12-13**

### **3. Three Specific Commandments:**

- a. **Abstain from sexual immorality; Sexual purity – 1 Thess. 4:3-8**
- b. **Love one another – 1 Thess. 4:9-10**
- c. **Work hard, be responsible for your own family's needs – 1 Thess. 4:11-12**