



Royal Priesthood identifies what we are and what we are to do.

New Status means a New Relationship with God, Self, and Others

New Responsibility means being a Light of God's Gracious Love
that Draws

Lingering question: Will we trust God's plan and permit Him to do it
through us

“God desired to inspire them with the true fear of Himself, that they might not sin through distrust, disobedience, or resistance to His guidance and commands.”

“The fear of God means the fear or dread of offending God: and since this prevents sin, the ‘fear of God’ becomes the ‘love of God.’”

Dr. J. H. Hertz, *Pentateuch & Haftorahs*, pg 300

Matthew 22:34-40

Hearing that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, the Pharisees got together.

³⁵ One of them, an expert in the law, tested him with this question:

³⁶ “Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?”

³⁷ Jesus replied: “‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.’ ³⁸ This is the first and greatest commandment.

³⁹ And the second is like it: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ ⁴⁰ All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments.”

Deuteronomy 6:4-6

Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. ⁵ Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. ⁶ These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts.

Leviticus 19:18

“Do not seek revenge or bear a grudge against anyone among your people, but love your neighbor as yourself. I am the Lord.

Matthew 23:23-24

“Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You give a tenth of your spices—mint, dill and cumin. But you have neglected the more important matters of the law—justice, mercy and faithfulness. You should have practiced the latter, without neglecting the former. ²⁴ You blind guides! You strain out a gnat but swallow a camel.

When Your Identity Is Your Work You Will Refuse To Rest.

We Must Entrust Our Identity And Provision Comes From God.

Just like God we can say “Enough” and call it good

To rest is not a curse to those whose identity is in God
but is a curse to those whose identity is in self

In remembering the day, you make the day unlike every other day

May I speak the way I want to be spoken too

May I listen the way I want to be listened too

May I strive to understand others as I want to be understood

May I be as gracious as I need graciousness

Can you identify your bondage,
the false gods you seek to satisfy self?