Sabbath Clarity

Apparently my writing from a few weeks back wasn't clear enough so let's try this again.

Let's start with this...

Exodus 20:

- 1. And God spoke all these words, saying,
- 2. "I am the LORD your God, Who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.
- 3. You shall have no other gods before Me.
- 4. You shall not make for yourselves any graven image, or any likeness of *anything* that *is* in the heavens above, or that *is* in the earth beneath, or that *is* in the waters under the earth.
- 5. You shall not bow yourself down to them, nor serve them, for I, the LORD your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of those who hate Me,

6. But showing mercy to thousands of those who love Me and keep My commandments.

- 7. You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes His name in vain.
- 8. Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy.
- 9. Six days you shall labor and do all your work.
- 10. But the seventh day is the Sabbath of the LORD your God. In it you shall not do any work, you, nor your son, nor your daughter; your manservant, nor your maidservant, nor your livestock, nor the stranger within your gates;
- 11. For in six days the LORD made the heaven and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested the seventh day.

Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and sanctified it.

- 12. Honor your father and your mother so that your days may be long upon the land which the LORD your God gives you.
- 13. You shall not murder.
- 14. You shall not commit adultery.
- 15. You shall not steal.
- 16. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.
- 17. You shall not covet your neighbor's house. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his donkey, nor anything that is your neighbor's."
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Deuteronomy 5:

7. You shall have no other gods before Me.

- 8. You shall not make a graven image for yourself of any likeness of anything that is in the heavens above, or on the earth beneath, or in the waters beneath the earth.
- 9. You shall not bow yourself down to them, nor serve them. For
- I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children to the third and fourth generation of those who hate Me,
- 10. But showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love Me and keep My commandments.
- 11. You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold the one guiltless who takes His name in vain.
- 12. Keep the Sabbath day to sanctify it as the LORD your God has commanded you.
- 13. Six days you shall labor and do all your work.
- 14. But the seventh day is the Sabbath of the LORD your God. In it you shall not do any work, you, nor your son, nor your daughter, nor your manservant, nor your maidservant, nor your ox, nor your donkey, nor any of your livestock, nor your stranger within your gates, so that your manservant and your maidservant may rest as well as you.
- 15. And remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the LORD your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and with an outstretched arm. Therefore the LORD your God commanded you to keep the Sabbath day.
- 16. Honor your father and your mother as the LORD your God has commanded you, so that your days may be prolonged, and that it may go well with you in the land which the LORD your God gives you.
- 17. You shall not murder.
- 18. And you shall not commit adultery.
- 19. And you shall not steal.
- 20. And you shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.
- 21. And you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, nor shall you covet your neighbor's house, his field, or his manservant, or his maidservant, his ox, or his donkey, or any *thing* that is your neighbor's.'

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Question for those under 19 years old... what are those called?

Same group... do any of those sound optional?

So now...

I John 5:

- 1. Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been begotten by God; and everyone who loves Him Who begat also loves him who has been begotten by Him.

 2. By this *standard* we know that we love the children of God: when we love God and
- keep His commandments.
- 3. For this is the love of God: that we keep His commandments; and <u>His commandments</u> are not burdensome.
- 4. Now then, everyone who is begotten by God overcomes the world; and this is the victory that overcomes the world—our faith.
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And to finish...

Isaiah 58:

13. If you turn your foot away from the Sabbath, <u>from doing your own desires on My holy day</u>, and call the Sabbath a delight, the holy of the LORD, honorable; and shall honor Him, <u>not doing your own ways</u>, <u>nor pursuing your own desires</u>, <u>nor speaking your own words</u>,

14. Then you shall delight yourself in the LORD; and I will cause you to ride upon the high places of the earth, and feed you with the inheritance of Jacob your father, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken it."

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Group discussion... GO!