

"TEN COMMANDMENTS, COUNTRY STYLE"

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The Hillbilly's Ten Commandments (posted on the wall at country church in the "boonies")!

Some people in the country have trouble with all those 'shalls' and 'shall not's' in the Ten Commandments. Folks just aren't used to talking in those terms.. So, some folks in country got together and translated the 'King James' into 'County' language. It read like this.

- (1) Just one God
- (2) Put nothin' before God
- (3) Watch yer mouth
- (4) Git yourself to Sunday meetin'
- (5) Honor yer Ma & Pa
- (6) No killin'
- (7) No foolin' around with another fellow's gal
- (8) Don't take what ain't yers
- (9) No tellin' tales or gossipin'
- (10) Don't be hankerin' for yer buddy's stuff

Now that's kinda plain an' simple, don't ya think? Now, maybe this is the way to teach the 10 Commandments today! Maybe then people would 'get it' and it wouldn't be construed as religious.

Plainly, don't get short changed. Let's be ready to meet our Maker. The Bible (in Acts) teaches that to avoid hell and gain heaven - one must:

- 1) Believe In Jesus As Savior (16:31)
- 2) Repent Of Sins (17:30)
- 3) Confess Christ Audibly (8:37)
- 4) Be Baptized In Water (2:38)
- 5) Live A Christian Life (14:22)
- 6) Be Active In the Church (2:47)

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