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A Table Illustration of "God's Eternal Moral Law" (pages 82–83), is reworked from the author's 1966 Th.D. thesis, *The Covenantal Sabbath*.



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Dedication

To Chief Justice Roy S. Moore of Alabama,
after the wretched removal by quasi-legal tyranny
of his monument of the Ten Commandments
from the Alabama State Supreme
Court Building's Rotunda
on that “Day of Infamy,” August 27, 2003.

—Francis Nigel Lee

Dr. Francis Nigel Lee is a man deeply devoted to God. His extensive research and study demonstrates the truth found in Ecclesiastes 12:13, that the fear of God and His Holy Law is what man is all about. Our society, and indeed our civilization, would greatly benefit by a better understanding of the intricate design of God for His creation. Sir William Blackstone in his *Commentaries on the Laws of England* stated it most explicitly, when he stated:

*Man considered as a creature,
must necessarily be subject to the laws of his Creator,
for he is entirely a dependent being.*

I am happy to commend to your reading Dr. Lee's work *The Ten Commandments: Yesterday, Today, Forever.*

Roy Moore

Former Chief Justice, Alabama Supreme Court



FORMER CHIEF JUSTICE ROY MOORE
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FROM THE PUBLISHER
About Dr. Francis Nigel Lee
& Judge Roy Moore

The Old Testament states & the New Testament affirms!

*That He might make you know that
man shall not live by bread alone;
but man lives by every word that proceeds
from the mouth of the LORD.* (Deuteronomy 8:3b, NKJV)

*But Jesus answered him saying,
“It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone,
but by every word of God.”* (Luke 4:4, NKJV)

THIS book is about God telling mankind to live by His Word, His Laws, in every age, for all peoples, from the beginning of creation to the end of time and for eternity.

As publisher I am pleased that my friend, Dr. Francis Nigel Lee, provided his manuscript for the publishing of this important work, showing through a scholarly *rightly-dividing* of the Word of Truth with more than ample Holy Scripture references, that The Ten Commandments (summarizing all of God’s Law) are for Yesterday, and for Today, and Forever.

In 1989 I first met Dr. Lee through a friend and member (Mr. Frank Gauna) of my Southern California Constitution Education Committee, founded prior to

the 1987 Bicentennial of the U.S. Constitution. Dr. Lee flew from Australia to America for several speaking engagements including our SCCEC all-day seminar the weekend prior to Thanksgiving in Chatsworth, California. He spoke on the subject of “Communists More Religious Than Christians!” (also recorded in his book *Adventures with God*, page 136), and we soon became life-long (but primarily distant) friends.

Then again in 1997 (page 175 of his book), Dr. Lee went on a speaking tour in the U.S.A. and we were privileged to host him at our George Washington/Patrick Henry Supper Club in Ventura, California where he spoke about “Restoring the U.S.’s Common Law” and on “The American War between the States (Civil War).”

That same weekend my wife Gail and I invited Dr. Lee also to our Sunday evening home Bible class where he gave the most interesting passionate talk about his life with Christ, and his witnessing over some period of time to his dad’s murderer while the man was in a Republic of South Africa jail and leading him to Jesus Christ. Dr. Lee had demonstrated forgiveness and great compassion in showing the love of the Lord (also recorded in his autobiography *Adventures with God* starting at page 121).

Dr. Lee was born in England, grew up in South Africa, emigrated to the U.S.A. and eventually settled

permanently *down under* in Australia. He has preached well over 3000 sermons in Afrikaans and English, written well over 500 published articles and has nearly 200 books he has authored in print, totaling well over 30,000 pages of text (see partial list on pages 85-90).



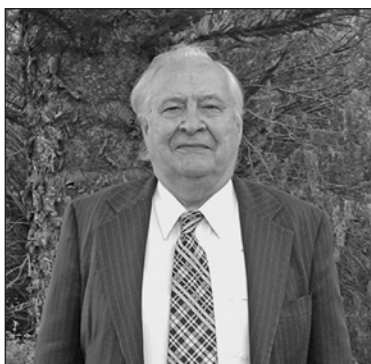
This book is dedicated to the honor of former Alabama Chief Justice Roy Moore by Nigel Lee, for his courageous stance in upholding The Ten Commandments (now known as “The Ten Commandments Judge”). Judge Moore has shown himself to be a man of valor, integrity, and comprehensive familiarity with the original Constitutional principles, and a stalwart defender of religious liberty.

He is a West Point graduate and served our country as a U.S. Army Company Commander in Vietnam before earning a Juris Doctor degree from the University of Alabama Law School. A highly respected Constitutional scholar, Judge Moore served as the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court in Alabama from 2001 until he was removed from office for daring to refuse a liberal judge’s unconstitutional court order to remove a Ten Commandments monument from the State Supreme Court building. This was a historic and heroic stand for God’s Law, The Ten Commandments.

A tireless defender of individual liberties, Judge Moore has been honored by at least three states and dozens of civic organizations, including “Christian Statesman of the Year” award, “Bill of Rights” award, and the “God and Country” award. Judge Moore initially was thrust into the national spotlight in 1997 when he held his ground against a court order demanding that he remove a tablet of The Ten Commandments, which he had carved by hand and hung on the wall alongside his court bench in Etowah County, Alabama. Eventually this led to his placement of the famous 5280-pound Ten Commandments monument in 2001, and his stance not to cave in to pressure from those who brazenly reject God’s Law as the moral foundation of our legal system.

My wife, Gail, and I had a wonderful opportunity to meet Judge Roy Moore (and have our picture taken with him) at the Celebration of Justice Banquet of the Pacific Justice Institute founded by Brad Dacus at a gala in Orange County, California in 2005, where I was blessed to be honored by receiving P.J.I.’s “For the Bell Tolls” award that year; and Judge Moore was the keynote speaker. We are thrilled that Dr. Nigel Lee has dedicated this book to Judge Roy Moore, both gentlemen being distinguished and faithful and courageous servants of the Lord.

—Gerald Christian Nordskog
Ventura, California USA



About the Author

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THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

EXODUS 20:1-17

(Translation by F.N. Lee)

God spoke all these words,
saying:

I AM the LORD your God, Who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

1 *You shall have no other gods before Me.*

2 *You shall not make for yourself any engraved image or any likeness of anything that is in Heaven above, or that is in the Earth beneath, or that is in the water under the Earth; you shall not bow yourself down to them nor serve them: for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, punishing the iniquity of the fathers in the children, to the third and fourth generations of those that hate Me; but showing mercy to thousands of those who love Me and who keep My Commandments.*

3 *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.*

- 4 *Remember the Sabbath Day, to keep it holy. Six days you shall labor, and do all your work; but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the LORD our God: on it you shall not do any work, you, nor your son, nor your daughter, your male employee or your female employee, nor your domestic animals, nor your visitor within your city-gates. For in six days the LORD made Heaven and Earth, the sea and all that is in them, and rested the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day and hallowed it.*
- 5 *Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land which the LORD your God gives you.*
- 6 *You shall not murder.*
- 7 *You shall not commit adultery.*
- 8 *You shall not steal.*
- 9 *You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.*
- 10 *You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, nor his male employee, nor his female employee, nor his ox nor his donkey nor anything that is your neighbor's.*

Introduction

God gave man Ten Commandments. Every one of them is vital, in all ages. For only by observing them can man live a full life each week; maintain a happy marriage; and function well in his home, his job, and even in the world internationally.

God Himself is the Root of the Moral Law, and perfectly reflects it. Salvation was never by the works of the Law. For even before the fall, man was to keep it out of gratitude for God's great grace. Unfallen man kept the whole Decalogue. The Sabbath, Marriage, the Forbidden Fruit, and the Tree of Life all reveal it.

When man broke God's Law, he degenerated more and more—from the Fall to the Flood. The Patriarchs kept it, and the Prophets called man back to keep it. So, too, should we.

Christ never broke it. He said He had not come to destroy but to finish building the Law, and that not one jot or tittle of it would ever fail until heaven and earth themselves pass away (Matthew 5:17-18).

Also subsequently, all His Apostles taught it. So too did the Early Church Fathers, King Alfred, Luther, Calvin, and even the great Jurist Sir William Blackstone. It is the very basis of the United States of America, and also of every other Common Law nation in the world.

True Christians love to Keep God's Law. They shall always do so in Heaven. But all unsaved Law-breakers, will end up in Hell.



God's Ten Commandments Yesterday, Today Forever

“*A*LL their life was spent not in laws, statutes or rules—but according to their own free will and pleasure. They rose out of their beds when they thought good. They did eat, drink, labor, sleep, when they had a mind to it and were disposed to it. . . . In all their rule and strictest land to their order, there was but this one clause to be observed: Do whatever you wish!”¹

Thus wrote the Renaissance humanist Rabelais of his own ideal for a model society. There, “all the nuns are beautiful.” There, chastity, contentment and obedience are not praised. There, all may cohabit indiscriminately, become plutocrats, and live licentiously.

This represents the very epitome of Antinomianism, or disregard for God’s Law. Such advocates what He never requires, and requires what He never advocates.