

**Text: Exodus 23:1-19**

**BEARING FALSE WITNESS IN A COURT CASE**

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| 1. Circulation of a false report                               | Exodus 23:1 |
| 2. Abetting the wicked in being an unrighteousness witness     | Exodus 23:1 |
| 3. Do not follow the crowd in doing evil                       | Exodus 23:2 |
| 4. Do not give false testimony in a dispute to pervert justice | Exodus 23:2 |
| 5. No partiality against a poor man in a dispute               | Exodus 23:3 |

**KINDNESS TO AN ENEMY**

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| 1. The animals of an enemy going astray |             |
| Bring the animals back to the enemy     | Exodus 23:4 |
| 2. An animal under a great burden       |             |
| Help the animal under duress            | Exodus 23:5 |

**JUDGMENT IN A COURT CASE**

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| 1. Do not pervert the judgment for the poor | Exodus 23:6 |
| 2. Keep your distance from a false matter   | Exodus 23:7 |
| 3. Do not kill the innocent and righteous   | Exodus 23:7 |
| 4. Do not take a bribe                      | Exodus 23:8 |
| a) The bribe blinds the discerning          |             |
| b) It perverts the words of the righteous   | Exodus 23:8 |
| 5. Do not oppress the stranger              | Exodus 23:9 |
| Israel was a stranger in Egypt once!        |             |
| 6. God's Involvement                        |             |
| He will not justify the wicked              | Exodus 23:7 |

## **THE SABBATH PRINCIPLE**

### **1. The Sabbatical year**

a) Six years of tilling the ground Exodus 23:10

b) The seventh year the ground is to rest (to lie fallow) Exodus 23:11

i) The Vineyard

ii) The Olive plantation Exodus 23:11

### **2. The weekly Sabbath**

a) A six day week Exodus 23:12

b) Rest on the Sabbath

i) The ox

ii) The donkey

iii) The son of the female servant

iv) The stranger Exodus 23:12

## **IDOLATRY**

### **1. Be circumspect**

2. Don't even mention the name of the idol Exodus 23:13

## **THREE ANNUAL FEASTS**

1. The Feast of Unleavened Bread Exodus 23:15

a) Unleavened bread to be eaten for 7 days

b) None to appear before God empty-handed

2. The Feast of the Harvest of Firstfruits Exodus 23:16

The Feast of weeks

3. The Feast of Ingathering at the end of the year Exodus 23:16

The Feast of Tabernacle/ Booths

4. Appearing before the Lord God

Exodus 23:14, 17

5. The offerings

To be thoughtfully given to the Lord

Exodus 23:18-19