



<sup>18</sup>For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven **against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men**, who by their unrighteousness suppress the truth. (ESV)

Two tables of the law comprise all categories of sin (Exodus 20:1-17)

Which is the first commandment of the law? (Mark 12:28-34)

Why must godliness come first?

1. "Man's chief end is to glorify God and to enjoy Him forever" (Westminster Shorter Catechism)
2. Ungodliness was the first sin chronologically
3. Unrighteousness is a consequence of ungodliness
4. Unaided, you are unfit to stand before God (1 Cor. 6:9)
5. You cannot have morality without God
6. The primary matter upon which we will all be judged is our relationship to God, our response to God

Can you have religion without God, morality without God, or righteousness without holiness?

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Godliness must always come first, and righteousness follows.

Likewise, you will never have morality except as the outcome of godliness. It cannot be done.