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There is a story about a schoolboy who was asked what he thought God was like. He replied that, as far as he could make out, God was 'the sort of person who is always snooping around to see if anyone is enjoying himself and then trying to stop it'. And I am afraid that is the sort of idea that the word Morality raises in a good many people's minds: something that interferes, something that stops you having a good time.

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COMMANDMENTS #1-5

1. Have no other gods before Me
2. Have no graven images
3. Do not take God's name in vain
4. Remember the Sabbath
5. Honor your father and mother

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You shall not murder.

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Guard and cultivate your marriage

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