

Deut 5:11

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.

We all know this verse as one of the Ten Commandments. And we all probably will say that we don't do this because we don't use the Lord's name in vain or as a curse word.

But this verse is saying more than just that. Notice the word "take". Another word for it would be "to accept". It would be like if someone uses the Lord's name as a curse word we would either ignore it, or let that person know that it offends you.

You may be thinking, "I let others know when they use the Lord's name in vain and how much I don't like it."

But here's another example that you may not have even thought about. What if you are at a movie and the Lord's name is used as a curse word? Do you just sit there and continue to watch the movie or do you leave?

If you just sit there and accept it, then you are "taking" the Lord's name in vain, or you are accepting the use of the Lord's name in that way.

It doesn't matter how good the movie is or how many great reviews it got. That's my Lord and Saviors name they're talking about. Isn't He yours too?

† ***Exodus 20:7 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.***