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I Samuel 15:3

Principle #1: Do unto others as you would have them do unto you, because God does unto us as we do unto others.

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John 15:1

Principle #2: Partial obedience is always disobedience.

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Romans 9:22; Jeremiah 18:6-8

Principle #3: God retains the right to relent and delay punishing us to encourage repentance.

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Genesis 12:3; John 8:39;
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Principle #4: God still loves apostate Israel and will still curse those who curse those He defines as descendants of Abraham.

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Principle #5: Jesus ordained that, by Communion, we remember His body was broken to save us.