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"And the tables were the work of God, and the writing was the writing of God, graven upon the tables." (Exodus 32:16) In this verse is the first occurrence in the Bible of the word "writing" and, appropriately enough, it is speaking of "the writing of God" rather than the writings of men. The reference, of course, is to the two tables of the law, the Ten Commandments, "written with the finger of God" (Exodus 31:18) and rewritten on a second set of stone tables to replace the first after they were shattered (Exodus 34:1). All Scripture is divinely inspired, but the Ten Commandments were divinely inscribed! This testimony of their unique importance is a sobering condemnation of any who ignore them or distort their meaning. But there is another writing of God—this one recorded in the New Testament, one of even greater personal significance to the Christian: "Ye are manifestly declared to be the epistle of Christ...written not with ink, but with the Spirit of the living God; not in tables of stone, but in fleshy tables of the heart" (2 Corinthians 3:3). No longer is there an external standard divinely engraved in stone by the finger of God but an internal conviction inscribed in the heart by the Spirit of God! "This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, saith the Lord, I will put my laws into their hearts, and in their minds will I write them" (Hebrews 10:16). This remarkable writing of God's law in our hearts and minds has been accomplished because Christ came not "to destroy, but to fulfill" the law (Matthew 5:17) and "hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us" (Galatians 3:13). Now, with the law in our hearts, we have become epistles of God, "known and read of all men" (2 Corinthians 3:2), and it is vital that the writing read true and clear through our lives. HMM

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