**The Ten Commandments of Recording**

Thou shalt always get a minute of ambiance.

Thou shalt keep the same mic placement when recording room tone.

Thou shalt not walk on the end of sound bites.

Thou shalt always wear headphones and keep them holy.

Thou shalt shun evil hums: fluorescents, air conditioners, computers, fridges, fans, etc.

Thou shalt not interview people with music playing in the background.

Thou shalt have the person say their name for proper pronunciation.

Thou shalt check thy tape before departure from the scene.

Thou shalt mic closely.

Thou shalt get another minute of ambiance…just in case.