

Summer on the Mount | Pt. 6: Fulfilling God's Law June 19, 2024 | Matt Anderson

WARM UP

- 1. Which Commandment do you think is the most challenging to obey?
- 2. What stood out to you in this week's message?

DIG IN

- 3. Why do people often assume that the New Testament reflects a God that "mellowed out" and grew past outdated things like rules, righteousness, and judgment? Is this true?
- 4. Read Matt 5:17-20. What does Jesus mean by "the Law," and what does it mean to abolish and fulfill it?
- 5. Does verse 20 sound like bad news to you? Explain.
- 6. Read Matt 5:11-24. How does Jesus expand and deepen the Commandment about murder in a way that shows his authority as the Lawgiver? What is the spirit behind that law?
- 7. Talk about the difference between roots and fruit when it comes to obeying God (James 1:14-15 may help to understand Matt 5:22). How do angry thoughts and words serve as the root to the fruit of murder? Is Jesus saying that angry thoughts/words render us guilty of breaking God's Commandment not to murder?

DIGGING DEEPER (EXTRA CREDIT!)

- 8. What are the 2 uses of the Law? How do each apply to Jesus' words in this passage?
- 9. How does Matt 5:25-26. Do you think this passage is more about human court disputes or about being rescued by Jesus from judgment before God?
- 10. How does Jesus' death and resurrection change or heal the roots within us rather than merely paying the penalty of our sinful fruit?



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