

Christ & His Law

Lesson – 4 Christ and the Law in the Sermon on the Mount

Matt. 5:17-20, Luke 16:16, Matt. 5:21-32, Rom. 7:24, Matt. 5:33-37, 5:38-48.

Matthew 5:17–18 (NKJV) *“Do not think that I came to destroy the Law or the Prophets. I did not come to destroy but to fulfill. For assuredly, I say to you, till heaven and earth pass away, one jot or one tittle will by no means pass from the law till all is fulfilled.”*

The Sermon On The Mount Matthew 5-7; Luke 6:17-49

It is the longest and fullest continued discourse of our Savior that we have upon record in all the gospels.

Righteousness

Matthew 5:6 (NKJV) *Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, For they shall be filled.*

***Psalm 119:142** *Thy righteousness is an everlasting righteousness, And thy law is the truth.*

Isaiah 51:7 *Hearken unto me, ye that know righteousness, The people in whose heart is my law;*

Mercy

Matthew 5:7 (NKJV) *Blessed are the merciful, For they shall obtain mercy.*

Exodus 20:6 *And shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments.*

Pure?

Matthew 5:8 *Blessed are the pure in heart, For they shall see God.*

1 Peter 1:22 (NKJV) *Since you have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit in sincere love of the brethren, love one another fervently with a pure heart,*

“One Jot or Tittle”

Luke 16:17 *And it is easier for heaven and earth to pass, than one tittle of the law to fail.*

Revelation 11:19 (NKJV) *Then the temple of God was opened in heaven, and the ark of His covenant was seen in His temple.*

***Isaiah 40:8 (NKJV)** *The grass withers, the flower fades, But the word of our God stands forever.”*

The Law

Matthew 22:37–40 (NKJV) *Jesus said to him, ‘You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.’³⁸ This is the first and great commandment.³⁹ And the second is like it: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’⁴⁰ On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.”*

Luke 24:27 (NKJV) *And beginning at Moses and all the Prophets, He expounded to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning Himself.*

***Matthew 7:12 (NKJV)** *Therefore, whatever you want men to do to you, do also to them, for this is the Law and the Prophets.*

Matthew 11:13 (NKJV) *For all the prophets and the law prophesied until John. (They all pointed to the time of John).*

Isaiah 42:21 *The Lord is well pleased for his righteousness’ sake; He will magnify the law, and make it honourable.*

***John 15:10** *If ye keep my commandments, ye shall abide in my love; even as I have kept my Father’s commandments, and abide in his love.*

John 14:15 (NKJV) *“If you love Me, keep My commandments.*

1 John 5:3 (NKJV) *For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments. And His commandments are not burdensome.*

5th Commandment

Mark 7:9–13 (NKJV) *He said to them, “All too well you reject the commandment of God, that you may keep your tradition.¹⁰ For Moses said, ‘Honor your father and your mother’; and, ‘He who curses father or mother, let him be put to death.’¹¹ But you say, ‘If a man says to his father or mother, “Whatever profit you might have received from me is Corban”—’ (that is, a gift to God),¹² then you no longer let him do anything for his father or his mother,¹³ making the word of God of no effect through your tradition which you have handed down. And many such things you do.”*

Matthew 15:9 (NKJV) *And in vain they worship Me, Teaching as doctrines the commandments of men.’ ”*

Murder (Matt. 5:21-26)

Anger equates to murder & Animosity at the altar (Cain Abel)

Exodus 20:13 (NKJV) *“You shall not murder.*

Adultery (Matt. 5:27-32) **Read**

Adultery in the heart, Divorce creates adulterers **Exodus 20:14**
[Matthew 5:29-30](#) - Stumbling because of eyes and hands

Promises, Promises . . . (Matt. 5:33-37)

Exodus 20:16 (NKJV) *“You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.*

Lex Talionis (Matt. 5:38-48) A Latin term meaning law of retaliation.

Romans 12:19–21 *Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but rather give place unto wrath: for it is written, Vengeance is mine; I will repay, saith the Lord.²⁰ Therefore if thine enemy hunger, feed him; if he thirst, give him drink: for in so doing thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head.²¹ Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good.*

Coveting/ Stealing

Exodus 20:17 (NKJV) *“You shall not covet your neighbor’s house; you shall not covet your neighbor’s wife, nor his male servant, nor his female servant, nor his ox, nor his donkey, nor anything that is your neighbor’s.”*

[Matthew 6:19-21](#) - Laying up treasure (where moth, rust and thieves can destroy) The tenth commandment (do not covet)

[Matthew 6:22-23](#) - Sound and evil eyes (looking with greed)

[Matthew 6:24](#) - Serving two masters (acquisition or God)

Sermon On The Mount Ten Commandments

This summary linking each section to the relevant part of the [Ten Commandments](#).

[Matthew 5:1-12](#) - The Beatitudes (rewards for adhering to the [Way of Righteousness](#), i.e. the benefits of embracing the first three commandments)

[Matthew 5:1-2](#) - Jesus goes up the mount and begins to teach

[Matthew 5:3-10](#) - The Beatitudes

[Matthew 5:11-12](#) - Observations on persecution

[Matthew 5:13-20](#) - Preserving the Father's wisdom (i.e. the fifth commandment)

[Matthew 5:13](#) - The salt of the world

[Matthew 5:14-16](#) - The light of the world

The Law

Isaiah 42:21 (KJV 1900) *The Lord is well pleased for his righteousness' sake; He will magnify the law, and make it honourable.*

[Matthew 5:17-20](#) - Not to abolish but Fulfilling the Law

[Matthew 5:19-20](#) - Keep and teach the commandments

[Matthew 5:21-7:12](#) - Interpreting the law - the last five of the Ten Commandments

Murder

[Matthew 5:21-26](#) - The sixth commandment (do not commit murder)

[Matthew 5:21-22](#) - Anger equates to murder

[Matthew 5:23-26](#) - Animosity at the altar (Cain murdering Abel)

Adultery

[Matthew 5:27-32](#) - The seventh commandment (do not commit adultery)

[Matthew 5:27-28](#) - Adultery in the heart

[Matthew 5:29-30](#) - Stumbling because of eyes and hands

[Matthew 5:31-32](#) - Divorce creates adulterers

[Matthew 5:33-37](#) The eighth commandment (do not steal)

[Matthew 5:33-37](#) - Honest promises

Oaths and Honesty

[Matthew 5:38-6:18](#) - The ninth commandment (do not bear false witness)

[Matthew 5:38-42](#) - Eye for eye (harmful misrepresentation)

[Matthew 5:43-48](#) - Love your enemies (bear a true likeness of your Father)

[Matthew 6:1-4](#) - Hypocritical charity

[Matthew 6:5-8](#) - Hypocritical prayer

[Matthew 6:9-15](#) - The Lord's Prayer (the right way to pray)

[Matthew 6:16-18](#) - Hypocritical fasting

Coveting/ Stealing

[Matthew 6:19-7:11](#) - The tenth commandment (do not covet)

[Matthew 6:19-21](#) - Laying up treasure (where moth, rust and thieves can destroy)

[Matthew 6:22-23](#) - Sound and evil eyes (looking with generosity or greed)

[Matthew 6:24](#) - Serving two masters (acquisition or God)

Sabbath Commandment/ Rest Anxiety

[Matthew 6:25-30](#) - Consider the birds and lilies (accepting what God provides)

[Matthew 6:31-34](#) - Anxiety about material things

[Matthew 7:1-5](#) - Hypocrites with planks in their eyes (coveting change in others)

[Matthew 7:6](#) - Casting pearls before swine (using wealth wisely)

[Matthew 7:7-11](#) - Seeking good gifts

[Matthew 7:12](#) - The Golden Rule sums up the Law

[Matthew 7:13-7:29](#) - Advice on choosing well

[Matthew 7:13-14](#) - The narrow and broad ways

[Matthew 7:15-20](#) - How to judge a prophet

[Matthew 7:21-23](#) - Crying 'Lord, Lord' is not enough

[Matthew 7:24-27](#) - Building on the right foundation

[Matthew 7:28-29](#) - The crowd's reaction