

Exodus 20:12-13
Jesus Adopts Murderers Like Us!
January 2, 2011
Sermon Outline

Notes:

I. Introduction

A. The Prophecy of the Law

Matthew 11:13

For all the Prophets and the Law *prophesied* until John...

B. The Example of the Sabbath

John 5:16-18 (Misunderstanding - e.g. John 7:23-24)

¹⁶ And this was why the Jews were persecuting Jesus, because he was doing these things on the Sabbath. ¹⁷

But Jesus answered them, “*My Father is working until now, and I am working.*”

¹⁸ This was why the Jews were seeking all the more to kill him, because not only was he breaking the Sabbath, but he was even calling God his own Father, making himself equal with God.

Hebrews 4:9-11a (Cf. Hebrews 4:14-16)

⁹ So then, there remains a **Sabbath rest** for the people of God, ¹⁰ for whoever has *entered God’s rest* has also *rested from his works* as God did from his.

¹¹ Let us therefore strive to enter that rest...

Key Idea

How does Jesus fulfill and accomplish the 5th & 6th commandments for us and in us?

C. The Image of Our Creator

NBC proposed confession – “Living as *salt* in a world that is decaying and *light* in a world that is **dark**” (Matthew 5:13-14; **Genesis 1:2ff**)

Genesis 1:28a

²⁸ And God blessed them. And God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply and *fill the earth* and *subdue it* and have dominion over...

II. What was the Original Meaning, Significance and Purpose of the 5th & 6th Commands?

A. Honor your Parents

Exodus 20:12

¹² “*Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land* that the Lord your God is giving you. (Cf. Deuteronomy 5:33- All the Laws)

Exodus 21:12-17

¹² “Whoever strikes a man so that he dies shall be put to death. ¹³ But if he did not lie in wait for him, but God let him fall into his hand, then I will appoint for you a place to which he may flee. ¹⁴ But if a man willfully attacks another to kill him by cunning, you shall take him from my altar, that he may die.

¹⁵ “*Whoever strikes his father or his mother shall be put to death.*

¹⁶ “Whoever steals a man and sells him, and anyone found in possession of him, shall be put to death.

¹⁷ “*Whoever curses his father or his mother shall be put to death.*

Mark 7:10-13

¹⁰ For Moses said, ‘*Honor your father and your mother*’; and, ‘Whoever reviles father or mother must surely die.’ ¹¹ But you say, ‘If a man tells his father or his mother, “Whatever you would have gained from me is Corban” ’ (that is, given to God)— ¹² then you no longer permit him to *do anything for his father or mother*, ¹³ thus making void the word of God...

B. Murder/Killing

Exodus 20:13

¹³ “You shall not murder.

Exodus 21:23b-24a

you shall pay life for life, ²⁴ eye for eye, tooth for tooth...

Numbers 35:33-34

³³ You shall not pollute the land in which you live, for blood pollutes the land, and no atonement can be made for the land for the blood that is shed in it, except by the blood of the one who shed it. ³⁴ You shall not defile the land in which you live, in the midst of which **I dwell, for I the Lord dwell in the midst of the people of Israel.**”

Genesis 9:5-6

⁵ And for your lifeblood I will require a reckoning: from every beast I will require it and from man. From his fellow man I will require a reckoning for the life of man. ⁶ “*Whoever sheds the blood of man, by man shall his blood be shed, for God made man in his own image.*”

III. What are the Practical Implications for Us

A. The Kingdom Rule of God (Matt. 4:17, 23)

1 Timothy 5:4

But if a widow has children or grandchildren, let them first learn to *show godliness* to their own household and to make some return to their parents, for this is pleasing in the sight of God.

B. Righteousness that Exceeds that of the Pharisees

Matthew 5:17-20

¹⁷ “Do not think that I have come to abolish *the Law or the Prophets*; I have not come to abolish them but to **fulfill** them. ¹⁸ For truly, I say to you, *until heaven and earth pass away*, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the Law **until all is accomplished.** ¹⁹ Therefore whoever *relaxes* one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. ²⁰ For I tell you,

unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

a. Murder

Matthew 5:21-22

²¹ “You have heard that it was said to those of old, ‘*You shall not murder; and whoever murders will be liable to judgment.*’ ²² But I say to you that *everyone who is angry with his brother* will be liable to judgment; whoever insults his brother will be liable to the council; and whoever says, ‘*You fool!*’ will be liable to the hell of fire.

Matthew 15:19

For **out of the heart** come evil thoughts, *murder*, adultery, sexual immorality, theft, false witness, slander.

b. Honor Jesus

Luke 14:26

If anyone comes to me and does not *hate his own father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters*, yes, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple.

Matthew 8:21-22

...leave the dead to bury their own dead.”

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