

The Deadly Sin of Anger (Pt. 1)

Matthew 5:21-26

- I. The Law Against Murder Quoted (21a)
- II. The Law against Murder Misinterpreted (21b)
- III. The Law against Murder Explained (22)
- IV. The Law against Murder Applied (23-26)

The Sermon on the Mount

- I. The Citizens of the Kingdom (5:3-16)
 - A. Their Character (3-12)
 - B. Their Influence (14-16)
- II. The Righteousness of the Kingdom (5:17—7:12)
 - A. A Right Relationship to Scripture (5:17-48)
 - 1. Affirm Jesus' Relationship to Scripture (17)
 - 2. Adopt Jesus' View of Scripture (18)
 - 3. Apply Jesus' Diagnosis with Scripture (19-20)
 - 4. Act on Jesus' Teaching on Scripture (21-47)
 - 5. Accept Jesus' Summary of Scripture Obedience (48)
 - B. A Right Relationship to God (6:1-34)
 - C. A Right Relationship to Others (7:1-12)
- III. The Dangers of the Kingdom (7:13-27)
 - A. Beware of the Wrong Entrance (13-14)
 - B. Beware of the False Teachers (15-20)
 - C. Beware of a False Profession (21-27)

General Observations regarding Matthew 5:21-48

1. Jesus' examples are representative not exhaustive.
2. Jesus' examples are illustrations of heart obedience.
3. Jesus' examples confirm the 10 Commandments still serve a purpose in His kingdom.
 - a. To show unbelievers the reality of their sin and need for the gospel (Mt. 19:16-22; cf. Gal. 3:24)
 - b. To show His followers they must obey the 10 Commandments as a pattern of obedience (Mt. 5:21-48)
4. Jesus' examples don't disagree with the OT but the scribes.
 - a. Jesus' teaching about Scripture makes that clear (18).
 - b. Jesus' teaching here never contradicts the OT.
 - c. In one example, Jesus not only recounts the OT law but also the rabbis' flawed interpretation (43).