

DISCIPLES NURTURE RELATIONSHIPS

Matthew 5:21-26

Two Keys to Understanding the Sermon on the Mount:
Jesus is _____ (vv.1-2)
Jesus fulfilled the Law by _____ it as it
was _____ and not by how they
misinterpreted (vv.17-20)

The religious leaders focused on _____ obedience
Jesus focuses on the _____ issue

(vv.21-22)
You shall not murder. Exodus 20:13 (NASU)

Some Things are Not Murder:

...all the beasts of the earth and all the birds of the air, upon every creature that moves along the ground, and upon all the fish of the sea; they are given into your hands. 3 Everything that lives and moves will be food for you. Just as I gave you the green plants, I now give you everything. Genesis 9:2-3 (NIV)

"If a thief is caught breaking in and is struck so that he dies, the defender is not guilty of bloodshed; Exodus 22:2-3 (NIV)

For instance, a man may go into the forest with his neighbor to cut wood, and as he swings his ax to fell a tree, the head may fly off and hit his neighbor and kill him. That man may flee to one of these cities and save his life Deuteronomy 19:5 (NIV)

"Whoever sheds the blood of man, by man shall his blood be shed; for in the image of God has God made man. Genesis 9:6 (NIV)

Murder is wrong because Man is _____
in _____

Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; Genesis 1:26

Religious leaders taught that as long as I don't commit _____
_____ then I'm _____ (vv.21-22)

As Disciples we don't just not murder, instead we _____

(v.22) Jesus Mentions Three Ways People are Murdered Relationally

1. _____ (v.22)
Then the Lord said to Cain, "Why are you angry? Why is your face downcast? Genesis 4:6-7 (NIV)

2. **Declaring someone** _____
Raca: (NIV, KJV, NKJV) good for nothing (NAS)
Rhaka: of Aramaic origin; O empty one, i.e. thou worthless (as a term of utter vilification)

3. **Assassinating someone's** _____
...and whoever says, "You fool (Moros _____) Matthew 5:22
A fool finds pleasure in evil conduct, Proverbs 10:23 (NIV)

The goal for a Disciple is _____ (v.23)

For a Disciple the goal is to seek reconciliation that turns an _____ into a _____ (vv.25-26)

As a Disciple I Need to Understand:

1. Some people are going to _____ (v.22)
2. Sometimes my actions or decisions are going to _____ (vv.23-24)
3. Sometimes we _____
if possible, so far as it depends on you, be at peace with all men. Romans 12:18

...there arose a sharp disagreement, so that they separated from each other. Barnabas took Mark with him and sailed away to Cyprus, 40 but Paul chose Silas and departed, Acts 15:39-40 (ESV)