

SERMON
ON THE
MOUNT

Matthew 5-7

THE KINGDOM:

- ▶ **Character of the “Blessed”**
 - ▶ Each with a promise...
- ▶ **Influence of the light/salt**
 - ▶ Ability to “change” the dark/rot
 - ▶ “they”; “you”; now “I” ...

THE CHANGE... (17)

- ▶ **Jesus declares His superiority:**
 - ▶ **The Law/Prophets... He is the end!**
 - ▶ **Not to destroy, overthrow, dissolve**
 - ▶ **S&P = neat, tidy, define but not obey!**
 - ▶ **Abolish thru disregard & arguments**

JESUS CAME...

- ▶ **Not to abolish, or endorse...**
 - ▶ **fulfill, satisfy - Ro 8:3,4; He 1:1,2**
- ▶ **Torah doctrinal teaching, right-ness**
- ▶ **Prophets shadows, foretelling, types**
- ▶ **Ethical precepts, moral ethics**
- ▶ **ALL FULFILLED! See Hebrews...**

EACH GENERATION

- ▶ Coming to terms with the law
 - ▶ Acts 26:22 – Paul
 - ▶ Till heaven/earth pass – New Creation
 - ▶ Not “jots / tittles” Shammai/Hillel
 - ▶ Intent and heart of the law
 - ▶ Letter vs. Spirit... Ro 2:29; 7:6 2Co 3:3,6

COMMANDMENTS?

- ▶ Break? Teach? Example!
 - ▶ A new “yardstick” - even the least!
 - ▶ Least/great in the Kingdom???
 - ▶ Right-ness that exceeds in kind, not degree, Spirit and Heart!
 - ▶ Entrance into the Kingdom Beattitudes

JOHN STOTT

- ▶ “We must not imagine...that when we have the Spirit we can dispense with the Law, for what the Spirit does in our hearts is, precisely, to write God’s word there.”

JESUS AND THE LAW

- ▶ Not set against it, but rather the perversion of the law. *Matt 12:3ff*
- ▶ 6 corrections will follow
 - ▶ 3 negative, 1 permission, 1 limitation
 - ▶ Final is positive...
 - ▶ Extended to motives, and the heart

BETTER WAYS #1

▶ ANGER!

- ▶ You have heard...no bibles...
- ▶ No murder, intentional taking of life
- ▶ Definitions, and penalties Ex 21:12ff
- ▶ Cities of refuge for unintentional

BUT, I SAY...

- ▶ **Authority of the Law-giver!**
 - ▶ Intent of avoiding anger!
 - ▶ Thoughts, intents, motives AND
 - ▶ Insults! Demeaning, denegrating
 - ▶ Raca= empty, worthless - vilify...
 - ▶ Fool = *moros*, dull, stupid - *gehenna*

FIX IT FAST!

- ▶ **If you are presenting...**
 - ▶ *Brother has something against you!!!*
 - ▶ **Delay is the enemy... grows with time!**
 - ▶ **Eph 4:26,27; 1Jn 2:9-11; 3:10-15; 4:7ff**
 - ▶ **God cannot receive from bitter hearts**
 - ▶ **Reconcile first, then worship...**