

Matthews Gospel "The Sermon On The Mount"
"Jesus And The Scriptures"
Matthew 5:17-20
Part-17

Matt 5-7 Sermon on The Mount: The Outline:

Matt 5:3-12 Christian's Character: (8 Beatitudes)

Matt 5:13-16 Christian's Influence: (Salt and Light)

Matt 5:17-48 Christian's Righteousness:

The Key Verse in the Sermon: • Matthew 5:20

Jesus went against the whole religious system of His day:

1. Came out of Nazareth
2. Ministering Galilee
3. Did not graduate from the religious rabbinical school
4. Ministered to the prostitutes and tax gatherers
5. Jesus exposed their hypocrisy - (Matt. 23 - 7 Woes)
6. Jesus taught with authority - "I say to you" They taught the tradition of men

We will look at 2 areas in our study:

1. Verses – 17-18 Jesus And The Law
2. Verses – 19-20 Christian And The Law

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- Matt 5:17

The Term "The Law" can mean 3 things:

- 1. Moral Law** - 10 commandments In The Hebrew it is called,

"The Ten Word's!" or "The Decalogue" Ex 20:3-17

2. Judicial Law - Behavior - Ex. 21-24

3. Ceremonial Law - Worship - Ex. 25-40 These Laws prepared us for worship - clean and right heart.

The Purpose of The Law:

1. The Purpose of the Law was to slay us! It was never to save us.

- Romans 7:9-12

2. The Purpose of the Law is to expose sin – The Law has no power to forgive sin

- Romans 3:19-20

3. The Purpose of the Law is to expose human weakness – not to empower us so that we don't sin – The Law has no keeping power!

4. The Purpose of the Law is to lead us to faith in Jesus Christ -

- Galatians 3:23-24

I did not come to abolish, (destroy) "to demolish, to dissolve"

but fulfill – "Carry out, give full obedience" Jesus quoted over 400 Old Testament Scriptures.

How Did Jesus Fulfill The Law? (5 Ways)

1. Jesus Fulfilled The Law in the Messianic Predictions:

- John 5:39

2. Jesus Fulfilled The Ceremonial Laws – Sacrifices

3. Jesus Fulfilled All Righteousness of the Law: • 1 John 2:1

4. Jesus Fulfilled the Law in Believers by means of the Holy Spirit:

- Romans 8:2-4

5. Jesus Fulfilled the Scriptures in that He brought the great Doctrines to fulfillment by His Teaching and Person:

1. Matt 5:21-26 Anger
2. Matt 5:27-30 Purity
3. Matt 5:31-32 Divorce
4. Matt 5:33-37 Truthfulness
5. Matt 5:38-42 Retaliation
6. Matt 5:43-48 Love

- Matt 5:18

"For truly I say to you, "Truly" - Amen "an expression of absolute trust and confidence"

not the smallest letter – Hebrew **"Yod"** looks like an apostrophe. There are 66,420 Yod's in the Old Testament.

or stroke – Hebrew **"Serif"** a tiny extension on some letters that distinguishes them from similar letters.

- Matt 4:10

It is written – "it was written, it is written, and it always will be written" The scriptures are more enduring than the universe.

- Matt 24:35

2. Verses – 19-20 Christian And The Law:

- Matt 5:19

- Matt. 23:24

Romans 6 Teaches that we receive grace when we sin, but we don't sin on purpose in order to receive more grace!

- Jer. 31:33
- Eze. 36:27
- Titus 2:11-12

- Matt 5:20

Righteousness - "state of him who is as he ought to be, integrity, virtue, purity of life, rightness, correctness of thinking, feeling, and acting, **To be like Jesus**" God's righteousness which is imputed by faith - declared to us when by faith we receive Jesus Christ.
(Positional, Experiential)

Scribes - a man learned in the Mosaic law and in the sacred writings, an interpreter, teacher.

Pharisees - "To separate, Separatist" There was about 6000 in Jesus day. They were experts on the externals of the Word. They held on to

- Lev. 10:10

Their righteousness was merely "External Righteousness."

How can one surpass the righteousness of the Scribes and the Pharisees?

The answer is - God's grace! (Clothed in His Righteousness)

- Matt 5:3

Application:

1. Recognize that we are sinners, and that we can't do it ...
2. Let Jesus declare you righteous, by placing your faith in Him...
 - 2 Cor 5:21
3. Ask Him...