

Scripture: Matthew 5:13-48

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Singing: 111:1-4 – 335:1-3 – 233:6 – 69:1, 6 – 42:1, 4

The Law of the LORD (3)

Intro:

A. Is “Sin is to slap God in His face” too strong? (James 2:6-7; Amos 2:6-7)

B. Is “Glorifying God doing His will?” too shallow? (Matt. 5:17-20)

C. Jesus’ purpose in the teaching of Matthew 5:17-20

1. He spoke these words as a defense of His own ministry

2. He spoke to prevent a perversion of His doctrine of Grace and faith

3. He spoke to correct a fatal teaching and thinking among Jews

Jesus and the Law of God

I. His relationship to the law of God II. His fulfilment of the law of God

I. Jesus’ relationship to the Law of God

A. Jesus was the reflection of the Law of God (Gen. 1:26-27; Luke 1:35)

B. Jesus has same relationship to law as first Adam: Gal. 4:4-5

1. In order for Jesus to our Redeemer, He needed to be *under the law*

2. Jesus affirmed this at His baptism: Matt. 3:15

II. Jesus’ fulfilment of the law of God

A. His confession in vs. 17-19 means:

1. I love the Law and value it highly

2. I am not here to destroy the law

3. I am here to fulfill the prophets

4. I am here to fulfill the law

5. I hold to the highest standards

III. How did Jesus then *fulfill the law*?

A. Jesus did this in the way He lived His life of obedience

B. Jesus did this His obedience to the death of the cross

C. Jesus does this by fulfills the Law within His people's hearts and lives