

The Gospel of Matthew

The teaching of Moses (v. 33)

4 Components to Mosaic teaching on Oaths/Vows

- Their sanctioning
- Their soundness
- Their seal
- Their seriousness

Examples

- Honorable (Genesis 14:22-24, 24:1-9, 22:13-18)
- Foolish (Judges 11:30-40, 1 Sam. 14:24ff, Matt 26:69-74)

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The teaching of Pharisees (v. 34-36)

Legalistic view of vows & oaths

- Leviticus 19:12 – “...not swear falsely in **My Name...**”

Lightened the weight of vows & oaths

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The teaching of Jesus (v. 34-36)

Removes loopholes

Reinstates solemnness

Requires truthfulness

