

March 10, 2019 "The Christian & Jesus' Bible" Matthew 5:17-20

This week, Pastor David continued the "Sermon On The Mount" series. Reread those verses as you consider these questions.

- As a Christian, how have you approached the Old Testament? How would you describe its relevance to you?
- In Matthew 5:18, how does Jesus "endorse" the Old Testament?
- Think about how the Old Testament mirrors your faith journey. How does that help you in your daily journey with Christ?
- How do we "keep the law" as New Testament Christians? What do you need to give up trying to accomplish in your own strength right now?

In your time with God this week,

- 1. Thank God for every word of Scripture that is preserved and available to us.
- 2. <u>Ask God</u> to show you where you are trusting your actions and efforts more than His strength and power.
- 3. Commit to let God change your heart as you follow Him.





ADDITIONAL DISCOVERY:

"Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them For truly I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot will pass from the Law until all is accomplished. Therefore whoever relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven." - Matthew 5:17-20

"The OT is the gospel in the bud, the NT is the Gospel in full flower." – Bishop Ryle

"We were in a foreign land, in bondage, under the sentence of death. But our mediator – the one who stands between us and God – came to us with the promise of deliverance. We trusted in the promises of God, took shelter under the blood of the lamb, and he led us out. Now we are on the way to the Promised Land. We are not there yet, of course, be we have the law to guide us, and through blood sacrifice we also have His presence in our midst. So, He will stay with us until we get to our true country, our everlasting home. "-Alex Motyer, Irish OT Scholar

"For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. And I will be their God and they shall be my people." - Jeremiah 31:33

