

SERMON NOTES

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THOU SHALT NOT MURDER

Deuteronomy 5:17; Matthew 5:21-24, 43-48

I. THOU SHALT NOT MURDER EXPLAINED.

(Genesis 9:5,6) *"Surely I will require your lifeblood; from every beast I will require it. And from every man, from every man's brother I will require the life of man.*

Whoever sheds man's blood, by man his blood shall be shed, for in the image of God He made man."

- Life is sacred because it's priceless.
- Life is sacred because it doesn't belong to us, it's a gift from God.
- Life is sacred because it's in the image of God.

II. THOU SHALT NOT MURDER APPLIED.

(Romans 13:8-10) *Owe nothing to anyone except to love one another; for he who loves his neighbor has fulfilled the law. For this, "You shall not commit adultery, you shall not murder, you shall not steal, you shall not covet," and if there is any other commandment, it is summed up in this saying, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfillment of the law.*

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