



# #jesusisenough | part 13

## Seeing is not believing

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ENCOUNTER, CONNECTION and RELATIONSHIP



#2019 Year of RESURRECTIONS

#1 Need to be the BURNING ONES

#2 Mary Moments @ His feet

**#3 Found Upon the Rock**



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## Matt 5:20-30,48

*For I tell you that unless your righteousness surpasses that of the Pharisees and the teachers of the law, you will certainly not enter the kingdom of heaven.*

“You have heard that it was said to the people long ago, ‘You shall not murder, and anyone who murders will be subject to judgment.’

But I tell you that anyone who is angry with a brother or sister will be subject to judgment. Again, anyone who says to a brother or sister, ‘Raca,’ is answerable to the court. And anyone who says, ‘You fool!’ will be in danger of the fire of hell.

“Therefore, if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled to them; then come and offer your gift.

“Settle matters quickly with your adversary who is taking you to court. Do it while you are still together on the way, or your adversary may hand you over to the judge, and the judge may hand you over to the officer, and you may be thrown into prison.

Truly I tell you, you will not get out until you have paid the last penny.

“You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall not commit adultery.’

But I tell you that anyone who looks at a woman lustfully has already committed adultery with her in his heart.

If your right eye causes you to stumble, gouge it out and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to be thrown into hell.

And if your right hand causes you to stumble, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to go into hell.

*Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect.*

# Who do you look up to.

## Why do we look up to people?

- Any disappointments upon scrutiny?

## Who did the the 1st century Israelites regard morally

- Pharisees & Sadducees(Sanhedrin)

## How did they come to sit in that position

- Sirian... Babylonian... Alexander the Great...
- Governing body had some independence from Roman rule 70Bc
- Pharisees plan was for Israel's former glory to be established through strict adherence of the Law ( teachers )
- Sadducees wanted Israel to be more Greek and Roman



# Why did Jesus confront the Pharisees

**Matt 23:1-4** Then Jesus said to the crowds and to his disciples, “The teachers of religious law and the Pharisees are the official interpreters of the law of Moses. So practice and obey whatever they tell you, but don’t follow their example. For they don’t practice what they teach. They crush people with unbearable religious demands and never lift a finger to ease the burden.

**Rom. 10:3** For, being ignorant of the righteousness of God, and seeking to establish their own, they did not submit to God’s righteousness.

# Two different types of Teachers

<u>Jesus</u>	<u>Pharisees</u>
To create a people for the coming King	To have a territory for the Israel to have it's rightful place
Taught through sacrificial (agape) love & freedom	Taught through fear and burden
For a people to partake in the Kingdom of God	For a people to be seperate from the world



## Two different foundations

<u>Jesus</u>	<u>Pharisees</u>
Law of Spirit ( heart )	Law of sin and death ( letter )

Romans 8:1–2: “Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit who gives life has set you free from the law of sin and death.”

2 Corinthians 3:6 He has enabled us to be ministers of his new covenant. This is a covenant not of written laws, but of the Spirit. The old written covenant ends in death; but under the new covenant, the Spirit gives life. The Glory of the New Covenant

## Two different motives

<u>Jesus</u>	<u>Pharisees</u>
Authority	Fear / no authority
Leads to life	Leads to death
Towards transformation	Towards bondage

**Matt 7:28** When Jesus had finished saying these things, the crowds were astonished at His teaching, because He taught as one who had authority, and not as their scribes.

**2 Cor 3:6** ...This is a covenant not of written laws, but of the Spirit. The old written covenant ends in death; but under the new covenant, the Spirit gives life.



Do we need to be taught?



What did the Pharisees taught?

What was the purpose of the law?



# The purpose of the old covenant Law

- How do we live morally acceptable lives
- How do we govern this nation
- How do we worship our God

## Why did Paul and the Apostles teach the people?

**Col 3:5** Put to death, therefore, whatever belongs to your earthly nature: sexual immorality, impurity, lust, evil desires and greed, which is idolatry.

**Rom 8:13** For if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live.

**1 Cor 6:18** Flee from sexual immorality...

There is a battle for your eternal destiny



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# God gave Israel through Moses 10 commandments...

- You must not commit murder - why?
- You must not commit adultery - why?

## Blessings and Curses related to the law

**Deut 28:2** And all these blessings shall come upon you and overtake you, because you obey the voice of the LORD your God

**Deut 28:15** But it shall come to pass, if you do not obey the voice of the LORD your God, ... that all these curses will come upon you and overtake you

## Jesus is the New Moses

- From Egypt, 40 days in the desert/40 years, deliver from slavery, receives the law on a mountain, shepherd God's people



# Jesus gives us the Law of the Spirit - Matt 5:21-26

- Anyone who is angry with his neighbour is subject to the penalty of murder (strangle, stoning, burnt alive in the valley of Himmon)
- Anger(grudge) makes our worship futile. **Matt 18:35** This is how my heavenly Father will treat each of you unless you forgive your brother or sister from your heart.
- Repent and be reconciled to your neighbour - brother, sister or enemy

## Be angry and sin not

**Ex 11:8** Moses "went out from Pharaoh in a great anger".

**Ex 32:19** Moses "came nigh unto the camp, that he saw the calf, and the dancing: and Moses' anger waxed hot"

Moses became legitimately angry at gross sin against God.

# Anger

Anger is never justified solely because of frustrating circumstances.  
James 1:20 "For the wrath of man worketh not the righteousness of God"

**Num 20** - Moses was frustrated with the thirsty and murmuring Israelites. He was not reconciled to them and it **COST** him

**Num 20:10** He and Aaron gathered the assembly together in front of the rock and Moses said to them, "Listen, you rebels, must we bring you water out of this rock?" 11 Then Moses raised his arm and struck the rock twice with his staff. Water gushed out, and the community and their livestock drank

The taxi drivers, the government officials, colleagues, spouse quirks...



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# Jesus gives us the Law of the Spirit - Matt 5:27-30

- Anyone who desires that which is forbidden is guilty of adultery
- Jesus here emphasizes that such coveting is not only implicit theft (Exod. 20:17 includes the wife among other items of property) but implicit adultery
- avoidance of temptation may involve drastic sacrifices

## His eyes and his hands...

2 Samuel 11 It happened in the spring of the year, at the time when kings go out to battle, that David sent Joab and his servants with him, and all Israel; and they destroyed the people of Ammon and besieged Rabbah. But David remained at Jerusalem. 2 Then it happened one evening that David arose from his bed and walked on the roof of the king's house. And from the roof he saw a woman bathing, and the woman was very beautiful to behold.



**Are you willing to state Ps 26 and  
allow the Spirit to convict you of  
anger/grudge/unforgiveness & lust/illicit desire**

**Ps 26:1-3**

Vindicate me, Lord, for I have led a blameless life;  
I have trusted in the Lord and have not faltered.  
Test me, Lord, and try me, examine my heart and my mind;  
for I have always been mindful of your unfailing love  
and have lived in reliance on your faithfulness.

# MINISTRY

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WHO WILL GLADLY PRAY FOR YOU.



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&  
Fellowship