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Kingdom Come
Redefining Murder
Matthew 5:17-26

Introduction:

1. As a believer in Jesus Christ, do you ever struggle with integrating the Old Testament Scripture with the New Testament? If so, why is that?

Understanding:

Read Matthew 5:17-26

2. In verses 17-19, how does Jesus regard the commands of the Old Testament? Describe what He means when he says He came to fulfill the Scriptures. Give some examples of how Jesus fulfilled them in addition to the ones Pastor Dave mentioned on Sunday.
3. Meditate on verse 20. What does Jesus mean when He says our righteousness must surpass that of the Pharisees and the scribes? How is this possible in our life?
4. Read verses 21-23. How do you feel about the way Jesus redefines murder? Why is our attitude toward others so serious to God?

Application:

5. Is there anger or contempt in your heart that you hold against someone(s) today? If all human beings are made in the image of our creator, with dignity and honor, how does this truth help you to make changes in your attitude toward others? What practical steps can you take to mend a broken relationship?