

...But to Fulfill (Part One)

Actual Jesus (*Gospel of Matthew*) – Part 36

Matthew 5:17-18

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¹⁷ “Do not imagine¹ that I came to tear down the law or the prophets! I ¹⁸ “For amen,² I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away,³ one *yôd*⁴ or did not come to tear down, but *instead* to fulfill!

one letter-stroke⁵ absolutely will not pass away from the law, until all things come to be.”

Pastor Phillips' ad hoc translation

Introduction:

I. *I Came...to _____* (v. 17b)

A. *To Fulfill _____?*

1. Con_____:

2. Consequences:

B. _____ Will _____?

1. Simple (but true) answer:

2. Less-simple (but true) implications

a. One popular line of interpretation:

b. Better direction:

C. _____?

1. Previous uses of verb *pleroō* (*fulfill*) in Matthew

a. Seventh use so far; here are the previous fulfillment:

____:22-23

____:15

____:17-18

____:23

____:15

____:14-16 .

b. Nine uses after

¹ This verb *nomizō* is related to noun *nomos*, here (and commonly) translated *law*.

² Hebrew word meaning *surely, truly*. First of 31X in Matthew, always transliterated.

³ Or *pass by*, both times in this verse.

⁴ The smallest Hebrew letter (ו). Or *iōta*; the smallest Greek letter (ι).

⁵ Tiny projection that distinguishes Hebrew letters like ת/ת, or ב/ב.

2. _____:

3. _____

II. Amen, All Things Absolutely Will Come to Be (v. 18b)

A. _____?

B. By What _____?

1. In His _____: Romans ____:4

2. By His _____:

Hebrews ____:2-3

Ephesians ____:9-10 — ...making known to us the mystery of His will, in accord with His good pleasure which He planned⁶ in Him,¹⁰ for administration in the fullness of the seasons, to head up all things in Christ, the things in⁷ the heavens and the things on the earth; in Him... [DPUV]

C. To What _____?

1. Revealed subtly, here

2. Revealed openly, in Luke ____:44-45

3. Revealed loudest, in Colossians ____:16-20

⁶ Or purposed.

⁷ Literally on.