

**“A Better Righteousness” –  
Matthew 5:17-48  
July 16, 2023**

- I. Challenging his accusers – Mark 2
  - Fulfilling the law and the prophets?
  
- II. Least in the kingdom of heaven?
  - An obvious observation from John Calvin
  - You shall not murder – Exodus 20:13 (21-26)
  - You shall not commit adultery – Exodus 20:14 (27-30)
  
- III. An inspired commentary on divorce – Deuteronomy 24:1-4 (31-32)
  
- IV. Teaching about false oaths – Leviticus 19:12 and Deuteronomy 23:23 (33-37)
  
- V. Breaking an oath is serious business - Ecclesiastes 5:1-7
  
- VI. An eye for an eye or turn the other cheek? Exodus 22:24 (36-42)
  
- VII. Love your neighbor and hate your enemy? – Leviticus 19:12 and Psalm 139:21-22 (43-48)

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