

# The Sermon on the Mount

## Part 6

- I. Introduction
  - a. While we are often so busy teaching deeper doctrines, Jesus' longest recorded sermon thus far has been extremely practical
    - i. However, today will certainly merge both doctrine and practicality
      1. Nobody can argue that things changed in a major way following the resurrection of Jesus
        - a. Today's message explains why in quite candid terms
- II. Commentary
  - a. **Verses 17-20**
    - i. This is one of the most often misquoted verses today
      1. Often we hear the first half of this verse quoted
        - a. Those of us who declare that the believer in Christ has been freed from the Mosaic Law are accused of denying what Jesus said in the first half of this verse
          - i. However, as with any passage of Scripture, verses should be read in their entirety and kept in context
            1. This one is critical as it deals with such an important subject
    - ii. Jesus did not come to destroy the Law
      1. Clearly, this was not His purpose
        - a. Jesus completely kept everything that God commanded Moses
          - i. He did not, however, concern Himself with keeping the traditional teaching of the Pharisees
            1. This is what they continued to accuse Him of
    - iii. Jesus came to fulfill the Law
      1. The Law exposes sin (**Romans 3:20**)
        - a. This was not the whole of the Law, though
      2. The Law pointed forth to a sacrifice for sin
        - a. Jesus, having kept the Law perfectly and completely, was the only possible suitable sacrifice to bear our sins
      3. He fulfilled the Law in two senses
        - a. He kept all of the ceremonial, civil and moral demands of the Law
        - b. He bore the penalty of us, being Law breakers
    - iv. The Law could not pass away until it was fulfilled
      1. Jesus fulfilled the Law for every believer
        - a. Simply, if He fulfilled it, it passed away for us

