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Series

Engraved

Today's Message

You Shall Not Murder (but there's more!)

Today's Main Scripture

Exodus 20:13; Matthew 5:21-26

Main Point

Having entered the second tablet of the Law, we now consider the sixth commandment, which reveals God's unwavering commitment to the sanctity of human life as the foundation of all righteous human relationships.

- Important Distinctions: Kill or Murder
- The Sanctity of Life and the Imago Dei
- Jesus' Clear Words and New Testament Applications

Notes:

Self Reflection:

1. In light of a Biblical understanding of “Imago Dei”, how does this important truth serve as a foundation to life in the community of God? In addition to the protection and promotion of life, what other ways might you apply the 6th commandment?
2. What attributes of God are easily demonstrated through the 6th commandment? Which one of these attributes do you find the most impactful to you personally?
3. Why are our words and the attitude of our heart so important as it relates to the 6th commandment? Can you see an opportunity for confession and repentance in how you use your words or in your attitude towards others? As you examine your heart, do you see a need to forgive someone?

Further Study

Genesis 1:26-27; 9:5-6; Numbers 35:9-34; Deuteronomy 5:17; Psalm 139:13-16; Matthew 22:34-40; Romans 13:1-10; 1 John 3:11-18