

Matthew 5.21-48 : Defending Heaven's Values in a Fallen World

Text	Old Testament stipulation	New Testament expansion	Value at stake
vv 21-26	Murder prohibited (Ex 20.13; Deut 5.17)	Abuse prohibited	Human life
vv 27-30	Adultery prohibited (Ex 20.14; Deut 5.18)	Lust prohibited	Sexual intimacy
vv 31-32	Divorce permitted (Deut 24.1-2)	Divorce conditioned	Family unity
vv 33-37	Perjury prohibited (Lev 19.12; Num 30.2; Deut 23.23)	Swearing prohibited	Trustworthy speech
vv 38-42	Retaliation permitted (Ex 21.24-25; Lev 24.20; Deut 19.21)	Retaliation prohibited	Unselfish society
vv 43-48	Hatred conditioned (Lev 19.18; Deut 23.6)	Hatred prohibited	Loving society