

1. Connect

Question of the Day. If you could only talk to one person for an entire week who would it be?

2. Engage: Sermon Review + Discussion

This week Pastor Albert preached a message on The Law from Matthew 5:17-20. Read the passage again and then dive into the questions below.

1. When Jesus mentions “the law” he is referring to the laws given to us by Moses in the Old Testament. What do you think the purpose of the law was before Jesus? What do you think he means by
2. Jesus says he did not come to abolish the law but to fulfill the law. His audience was a bit confused since they had not experienced his crucifixion and resurrection yet. What do you think “fulfilling the law” means in light of the resurrection?
3. The Pharisees were known for living by the law. What does Jesus mean when he says “unless your righteousness surpasses that of the Pharisees and the teachers of the law, you will certainly not enter the kingdom of heaven.”?

3. Apply: Next Faithful Step

We live in a very individualistic culture. The promotion of ourselves is easier than ever. What are some areas of your life where you experience self righteousness instead of the righteousness of Jesus? How can you begin to combat those temptations? How might living righteously look different for us today than it did for the people in Jesus’ time? How does it look the same?

4. Prayer

Take some time to hear prayer requests from each member of your LifeGroup. Pray for one another, for your families, communities, our church, and the world.

*If anyone needs additional pastoral support or prayers regarding this sermon or any other aspect of our series, please don't hesitate to reach out to our pastoral staff. We would love to chat more deeply and pray with you.

