

The Sermon on the Mount: *The Spirit of the Law*

PT III

Text: *Matthew 5:33-48*

I. Introduction

1. Six Antitheses – Jesus contrasts “You have heard it said...” with, “But I say...”

II. Jesus’ 4th Point of Clarification – Should the Christian Swear Oaths? (vv. 33-37)

1. As people of the _____, we are not to give our word _____

III. Jesus’ 5th Point of Clarification – Should the Christian Seek Revenge? (vv.38-42)

1. Knowing that _____ will judge all, we are not to see to it that _____ _____
_____ _____ pay for it

IV. Jesus’ 6th Point of Clarification – Should the Christian Love *Everyone*? (vv.43-48)

1. Even though we are wronged often, we respond by showing _____
through _____ and keeping a _____ _____

V. Conclusion

1. The external appearance of cleanliness has never guaranteed that one is clean on the inside
2. The Christian shows the love of God to all men—even those who hate them
3. The Christian knows that the Lord has always been after the heart—that’s where eternal life and blessedness begin

Answer Key:

I. Introduction

II. Jesus' 4th Point of Clarification – Should the Christian Swear Oaths? (vv. 33-37)

1. As people of the TRUTH, we are not to give our word LIGHTLY

III. Jesus' 5th Point of Clarification – Should the Christian Seek Revenge? (vv.38-42)

1. Knowing that GOD will judge all, we are not to see to it that THOSE WHO WRONGED US pay for it

IV. Jesus' 6th Point of Clarification – Should the Christian Love *Everyone*? (vv.43-48)

1. Even though we are wronged often, we respond by showing LOVE through PRAYER and keeping a RIGHT HEART