

## Let Your Yes be Yes, and Your No be No

Matthew 5:33-37

#7 Sermon on the Mount

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### REFLECTION QUESTIONS:

**Monday:** Read Matt 5:33-37; 23:16-22, and James 5:12. What do the passages have in common? How is this about making and keeping promises?

**Tuesday:** Read Matt 5:33; Exodus 20:7; Leviticus 19:12; Numbers 30:2; and Deuteronomy 6:13; 23:21. What is being prohibited and why? Did God make oaths? (Genesis 12; 15; 22) Did Paul? (Romans 9:1; 2 Corinthians 1:23) Why did Jesus only speak at his last trial when put under oath? (Matt 26:63-64)

**Wednesday:** Read Matt 5:33-37. The Pharisees were declaring that an oath was breakable if you did not refer to God in your oath. How did Jesus confront their hypocrisy?

**Thursday:** Read Matt 5:33-36. How does Jesus' teaching contrast with what they had heard? Note the word "for" in verses 34-36. What is Jesus' point?

**Friday:** Read Matt 5:16 and 5:37. We are called to reflect the character of God, who always keeps His promises. Name five ways we are tempted to not keep our promises? How does the gospel motivate us to repent and develop convictions about integrity?

**Saturday:** Read Matt 5:38-48. Discover the key themes, pray, and bring a friend with you to church tomorrow.