

SERMON NOTE: Becoming A Contagious- Extraordinary Relationship

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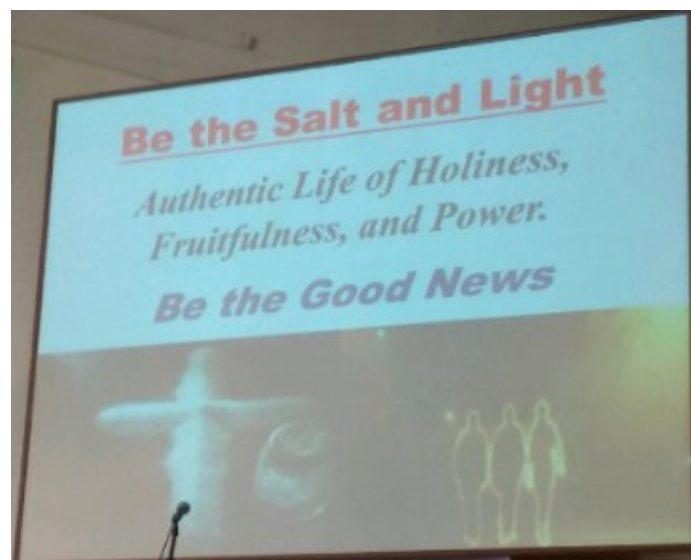


Bible Ref: Matthew 5:21-48 NIV

“You have heard that it was said to the people long ago, ‘You shall not murder, and anyone who murders will be subject to judgment.’ But I tell you that anyone who is angry with a brother or sister will be subject to judgment. Again, anyone who says to a brother or sister, ‘Raca,’ is answerable to the court. And anyone who says, ‘You fool!’ will be in danger of the fire of hell. “Therefore, if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled to them; then come and offer your gift. “Settle matters quickly with your adversary who is taking you to court. Do it while you are still together on the way, or your adversary may hand you over to the judge, and the judge may hand you over to the officer, and you may be thrown into prison. Truly I tell you, you will not get out until you have paid the last penny. “You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall not commit adultery.’ But I tell you that anyone who looks at a woman lustfully has already committed adultery with her in his heart. If your right eye causes you to stumble, gouge it out and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. And if your right hand causes you to stumble, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to go into hell. “It has been said, ‘Anyone who divorces his wife must give her a certificate of divorce.’ But I tell you that anyone who divorces his wife, except for sexual immorality, makes her the victim of adultery, and anyone who marries a divorced woman commits adultery. “Again, you have heard that it was said to the people long ago, ‘Do not break your oath, but fulfill to the Lord the vows you have made.’ But I tell you, do not swear an oath at all: either by heaven, for it is God’s throne; or by the earth, for it is his footstool; or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the Great King. And do not swear by your head, for you cannot make even one hair white or black. All you need to say is simply ‘Yes’ or ‘No’; anything beyond this comes from the evil one. “You

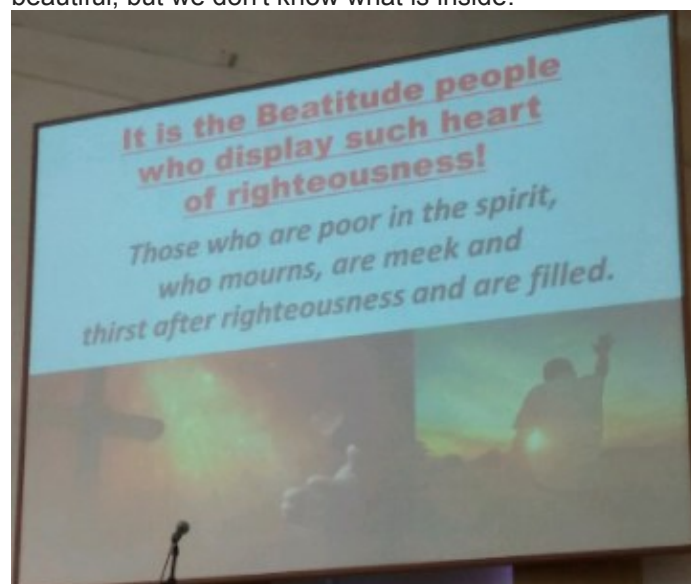
have heard that it was said, ‘Eye for eye, and tooth for tooth.’ But I tell you, do not resist an evil person. If anyone slaps you on the right cheek, turn to them the other cheek also. And if anyone wants to sue you and take your shirt, hand over your coat as well. If anyone forces you to go one mile, go with them two miles. Give to the one who asks you, and do not turn away from the one who wants to borrow from you. “You have heard that it was said, ‘Love your neighbor and hate your enemy.’ But I tell you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, that you may be children of your Father in heaven. He causes his sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous. If you love those who love you, what reward will you get? Are not even the tax collectors doing that? And if you greet only your own people, what are you doing more than others? Do not even pagans do that? Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

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The Heart Matter

We can't see the heart, the appearance may be very beautiful, but we don't know what is inside.



That's how they stand out as the salt and light!
For they will become merciful, pure in heart, and peacemakers, even at the expense of being persecuted.

Given the new heart and spirit
Ezekiel 36:26-27
"I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you; I will remove from you your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh." And I will put my Spirit in you and move you to follow my decrees and be careful to keep my laws.

Transformation of the Heart

Extraordinary Relationships Matt. 5:21-48
"You have heard it said...but I tell you..."

- Anger – extraordinary mercy for people.
- Lustful thoughts – extraordinary purity.
- Divorce – extraordinary marital covenant.
- Oath – extraordinary trustworthiness.
- Retaliation – extraordinary generosity of spirit.
- Love for enemies – extraordinary agape love.

True Righteousness

OATH

LOVE YOUR ENEMIES

Anger

The Truth About Your Heart

LUST

Retaliation

DIVORCE

Matthew 5:21-26 NIV

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Murder – The 6th Commandment
"You shall not murder, and anyone who murders will be subject to judgment."

Jesus went deeper
But I tell you that anyone who is angry with a brother or sister will be subject to judgment.

Jesus equated anger to murder!
Anger lies at the heart of murder!

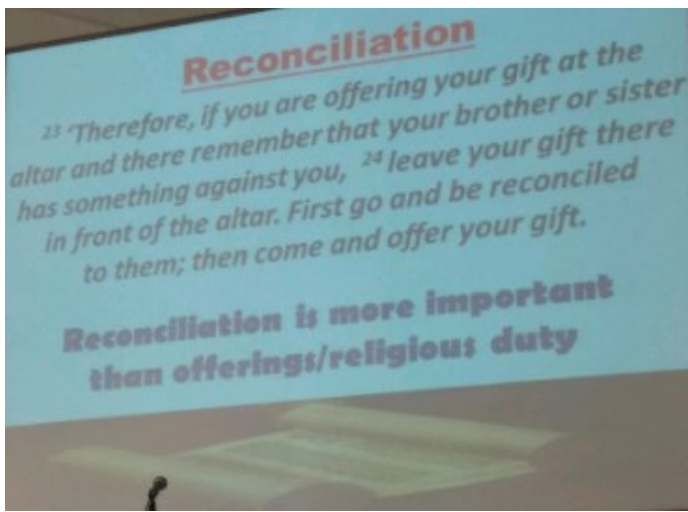
Num. 31:30-31

He traces anger & murder to the dark human heart of hatred
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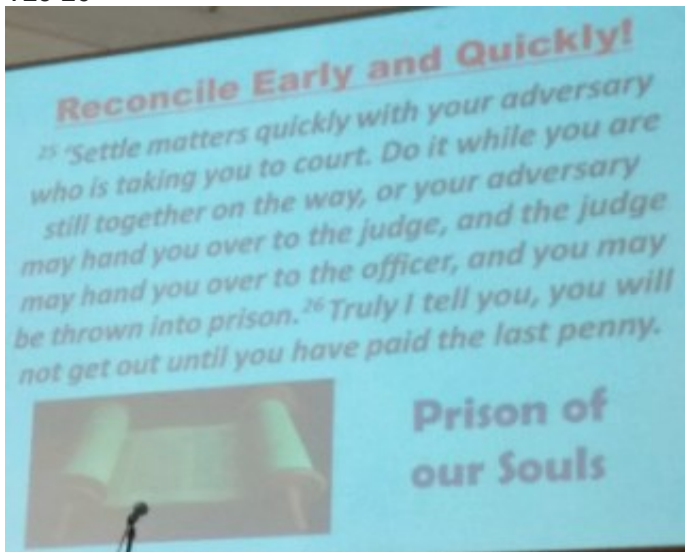
Murderous anger,
Not righteous anger condemned

An attitude fits only for the rubbish dump!

V23-24
 Be Reconciled



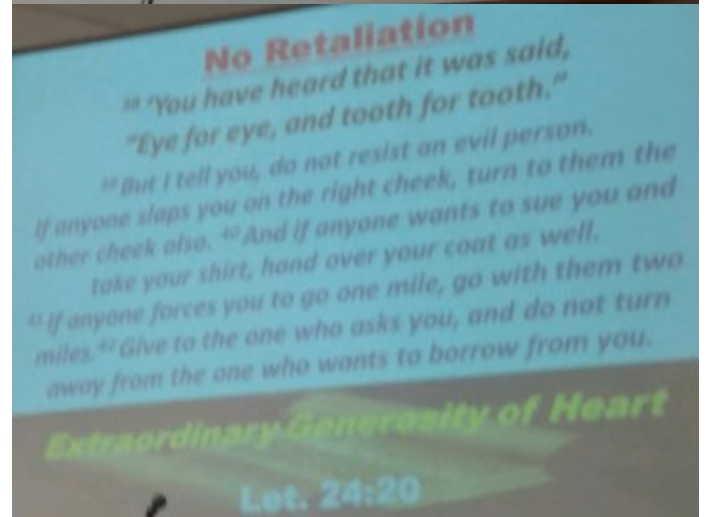
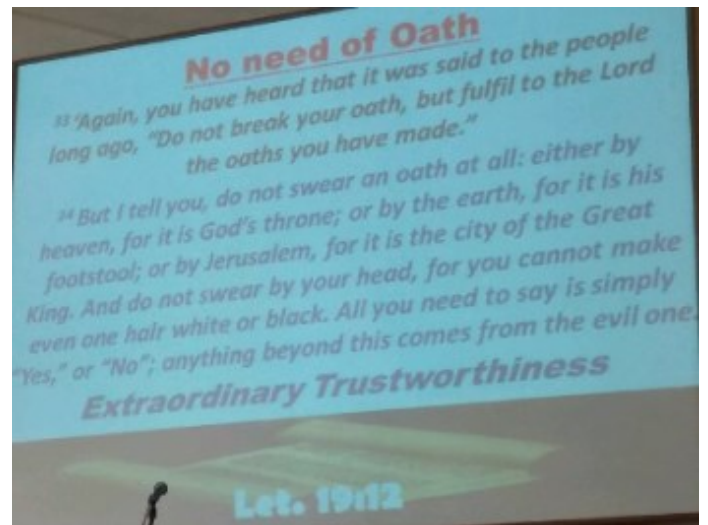
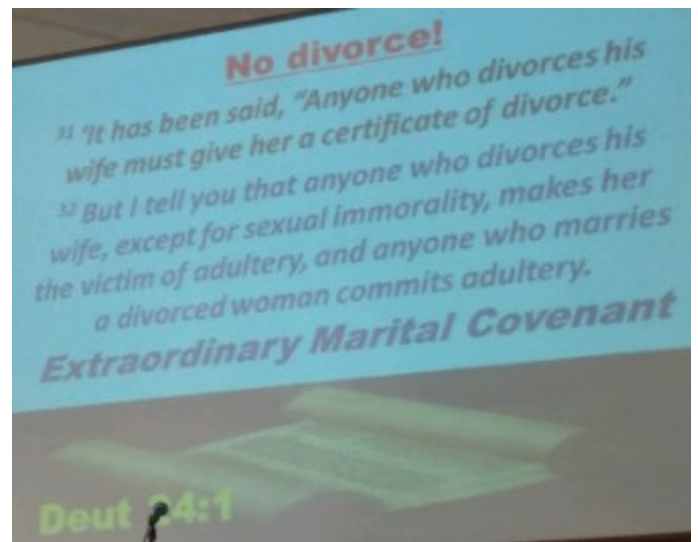
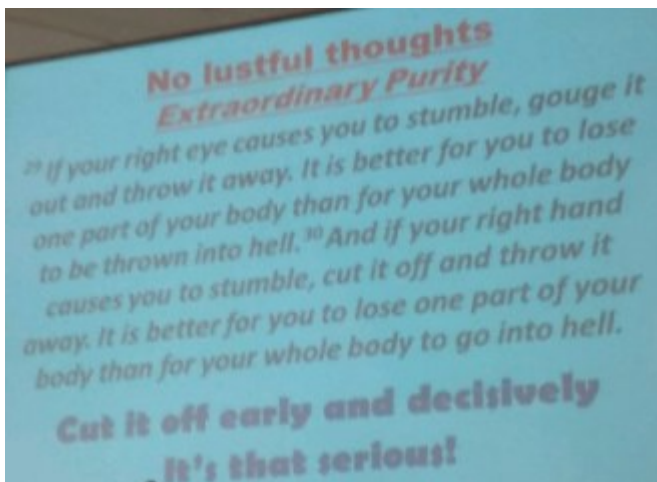
Reconcile Early and Quickly
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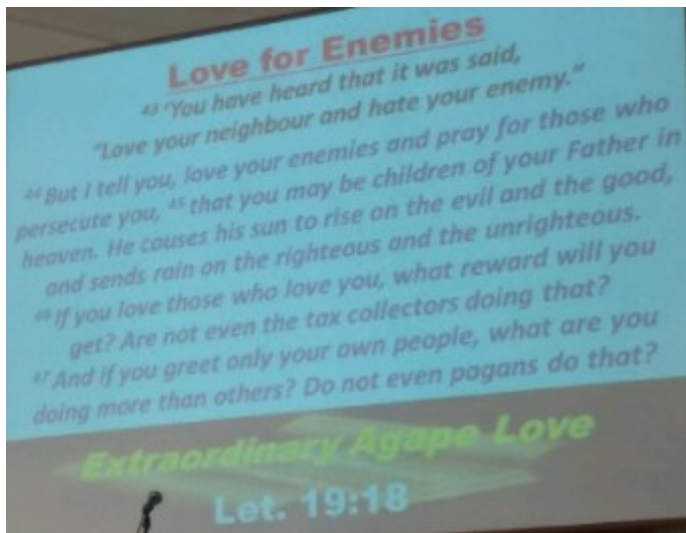
7th Commandment - Do Not Commit Adultery
 Matthew 5:27-28 NIV

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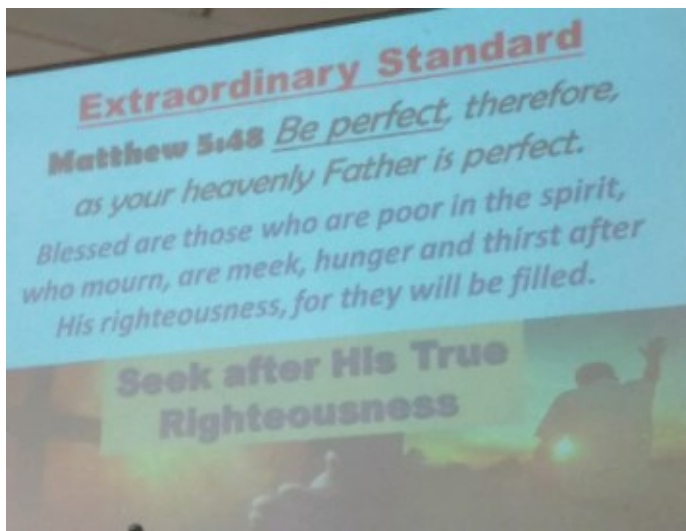
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Agape Love
Love The Enemy



Extraordinary Standard



Holy Lighters
Be Authentic
Let HIS Light Shine