

The Ten Commandments

Sermon Notes & Community Group Discussion
Sunday, July 6, 2014

Do Not Murder

Exodus 20:13

I. We can be enslaved to murderous desires (Exodus 20:13; James 4:1-2)

- Murder
- Anger (Matt. 5:21)
- Words (Matt. 5:22; Prov 18:21)

II. Jesus sets us free from murderous desires (Rom 6:5-7)

III. We can live free from murderous desires: (Eph 4:29-30)

- Stop and say “No!” (4:29a)
- Serve others in love (4:29b)
- Hear and obey God’s Spirit through God’s Word (4:30)

Community Group Questions

Discussion Questions

1. Where do you tend to give into “murderous” desires? (With your spouse, boss, co-workers, parents, friends, church community, neighbors?)
2. Think of a time you sinned in your anger. What does your anger reveal about your heart? In that moment of anger, what are you loving more than God and others?
3. Read Proverbs 10:11; 12:18; 18:21. Describe a time you were built-up and empowered by someone’s life-giving words.
4. Read Ephesians 4:29-32. From this passage, what might it look like for you to live free of your “murderous” desires? What might you need to confess and repent? Who do you need to forgive? What do you need to say “No” to?

