



# Living Beyond The Rules

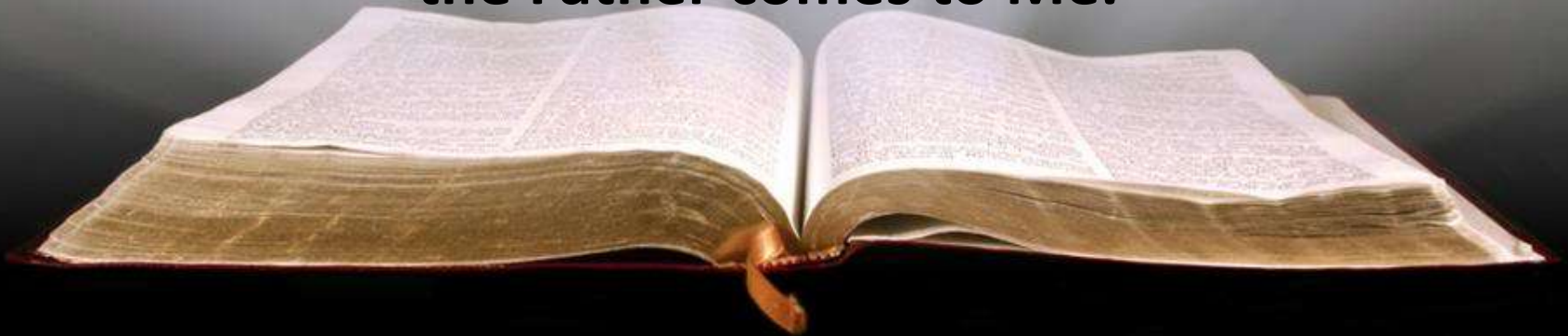
Matthew 5

# I. Living the Spirit Led Life



# John 6:44-45

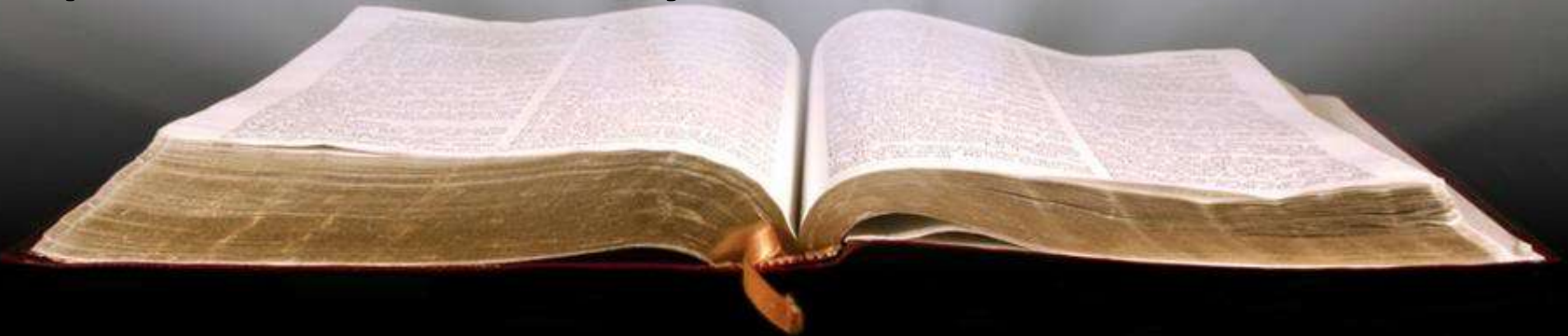
**“No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws him; and I will raise him up at the last day. It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Therefore everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to Me.”**



# John 15:13-16

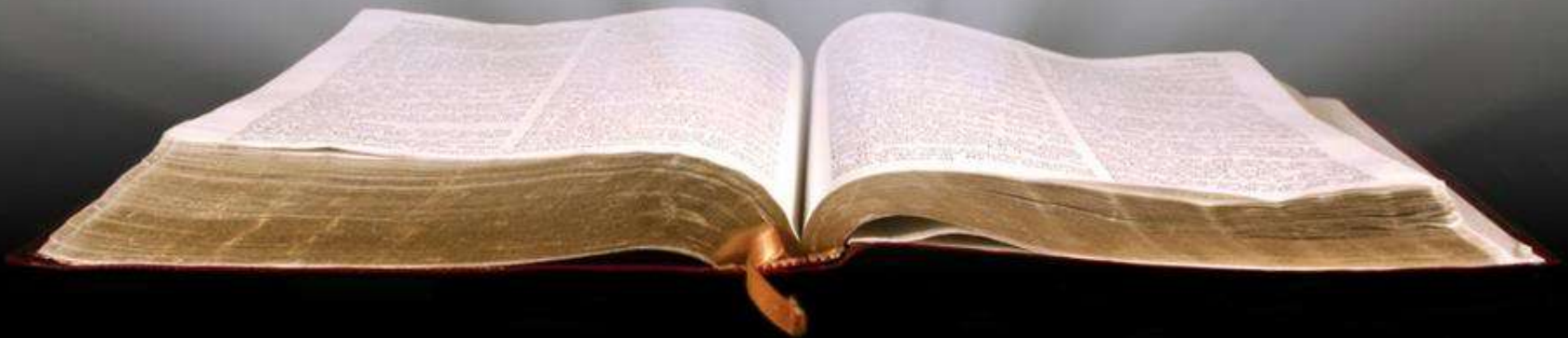
*paraphrased*

**I no longer call you servants... Instead I call you friends...  
You did not choose me, but I chose you... and because you  
are my friends you will do what I ask of you, you will lead  
productive lives and you will care for one another**



John 16:7

**<sup>7</sup>Nevertheless I tell you the truth. It is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you; but if I depart, I will send Him to you.**



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- b) Sanctification “We are being saved”
- c) **Glorification** “We will be saved”





II.

*Living by*

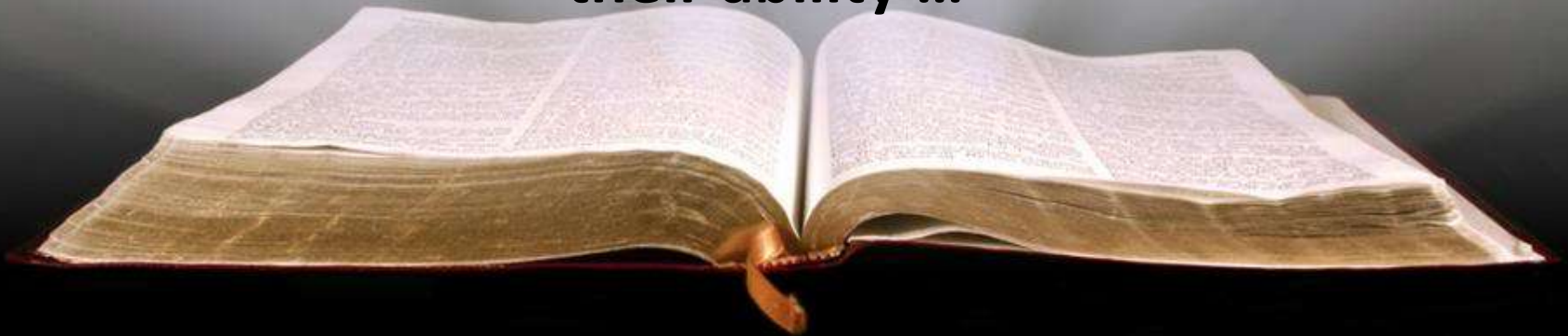
GRACE

**a) What is grace?**

## 2 Corinthians 8:1-2

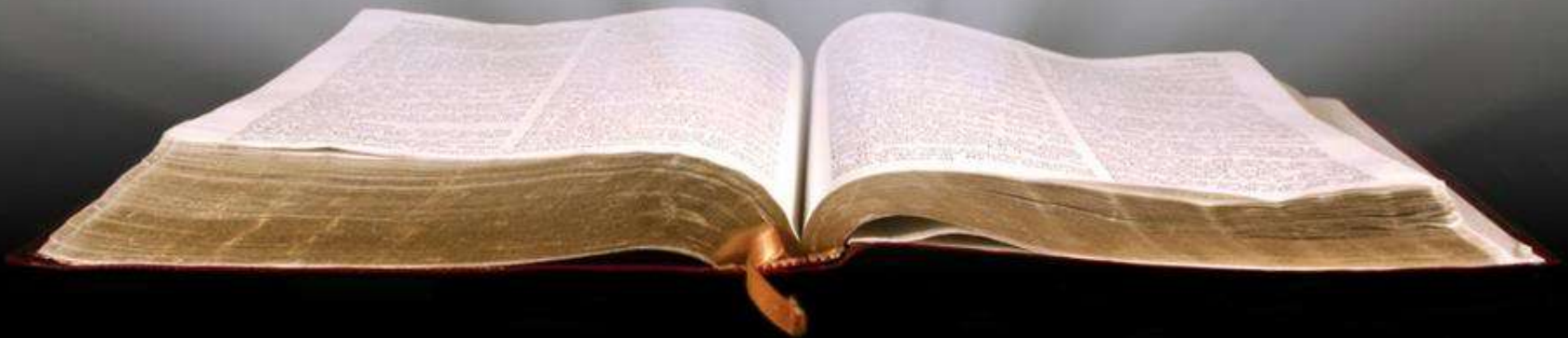


**“And now, brothers, we want you to know about the grace that God has given the Macedonian churches ... For I testify that they gave as much as they were able, and even beyond their ability ...”**



## 2 Corinthians 12:8-9

**“But he [the ascended Lord Jesus] said to me, ‘My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.’”**



II.

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**b) Even faith is a grace gift**

John 6:44

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c) Self-Justification or spiritual sanctification



I have to...



I want to...



I get to...



### III. The Purpose of the Law



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The law is our teacher  
The law is our guide



## a) The Great Reveal

### DEAD MEN WALKING

Life giving faith:

Romans 4:17, 8:11, 1 Cor. 15:36, 45; Eph 2:1, 5;

Col 2:13, 1 Pet 3:18



## Hebrews 4:12 (NKJV)

<sup>12</sup>For the word of God *is* living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.



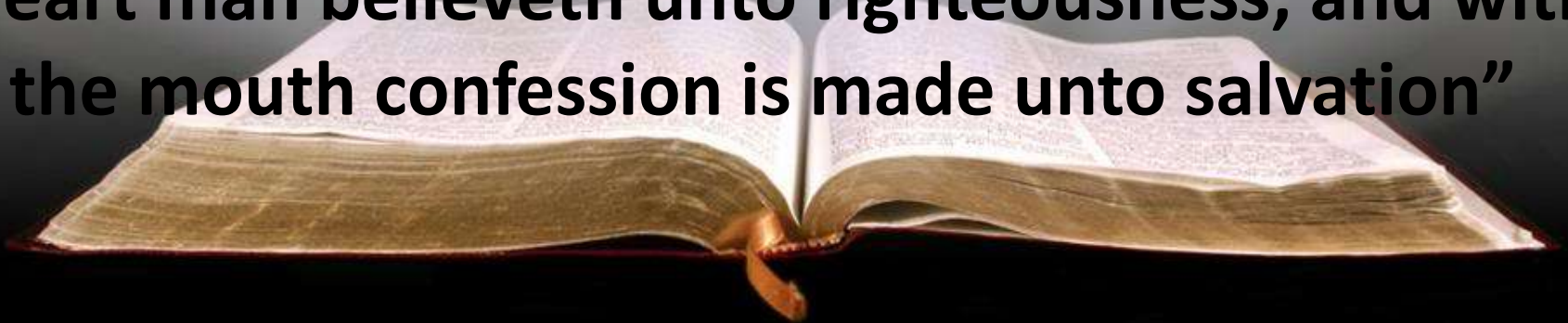
## B) The Need for imputed Righteousness

Romans 4:3 (NKJV)

***<sup>3</sup>For what does the Scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was accounted to him for righteousness."***

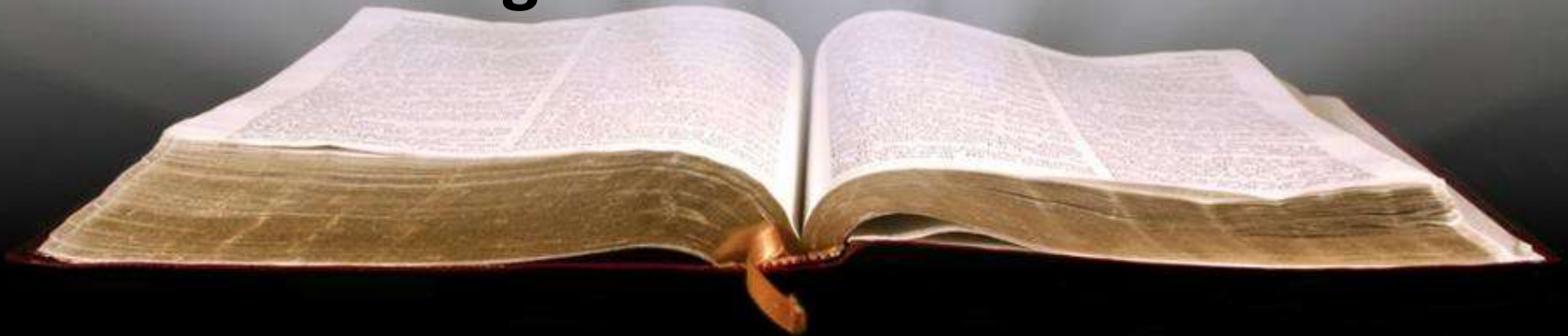
# Romans 10:9-10

**“if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation”**



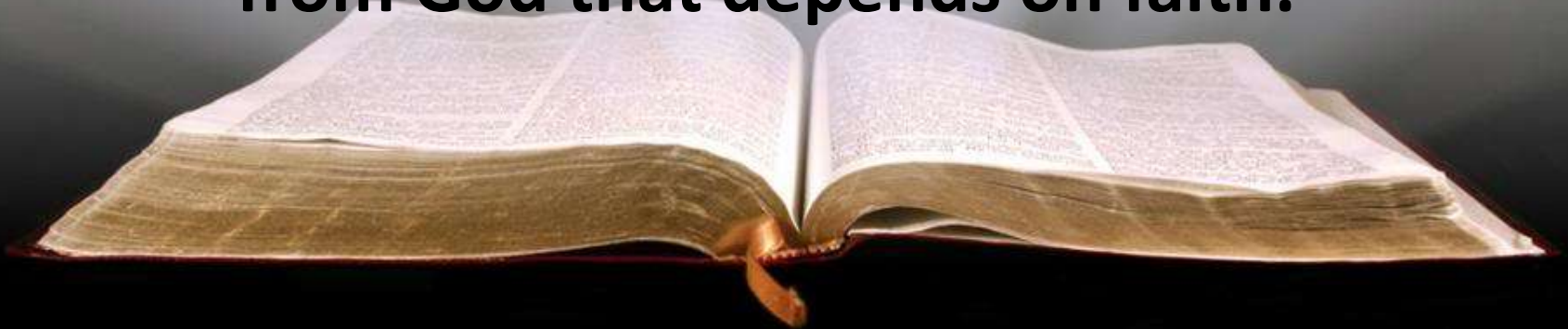
# 2 Corinthians 5:21

**“For our sake he (God) made him (Christ) to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.”**



# Philippians 3:9

**“And be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith.”**





## c) Relational Holiness

Holiness is a person, not a set of rules

**Holiness is found in a right relationship  
with Jesus Christ.**





## IV. Living on Principles



**a) Deciding  
what's  
important**



**b) People  
Need  
principles**



**c) Principles  
over  
precepts**

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**Value**

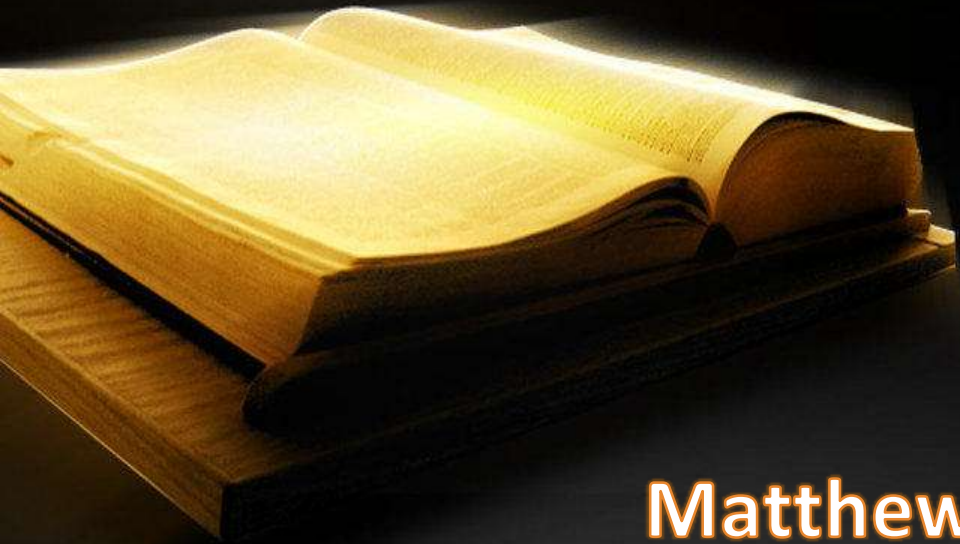
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**Respect**

21" You have heard that it was said to those of old, '*You shall not murder*, and whoever murders will be in danger of the judgment.' 22 But I say to you that whoever is angry with his brother without a cause shall be in danger of the judgment. And whoever says to his brother, 'Raca!' shall be in danger of the council. But whoever says, 'You fool!' shall be in danger of hell fire.

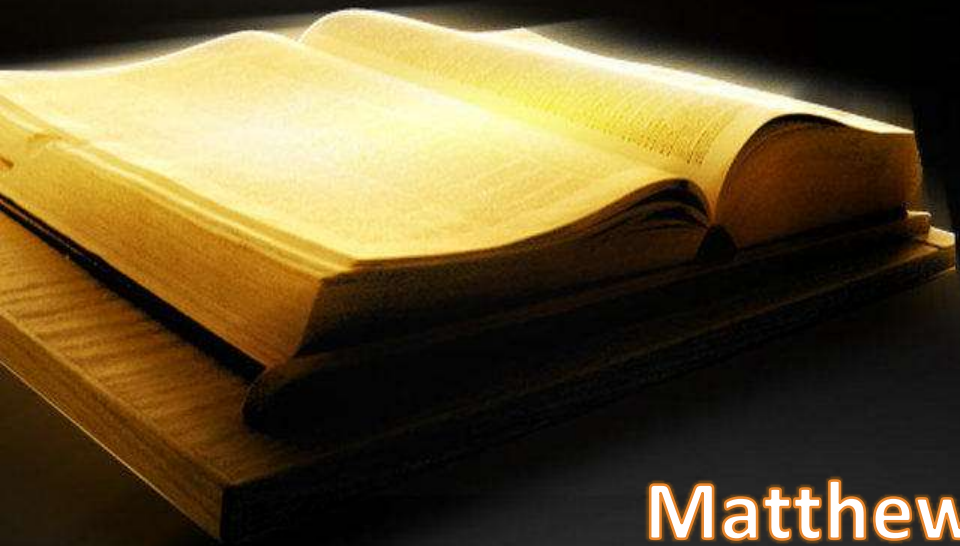


**Matthew 5:21-22**

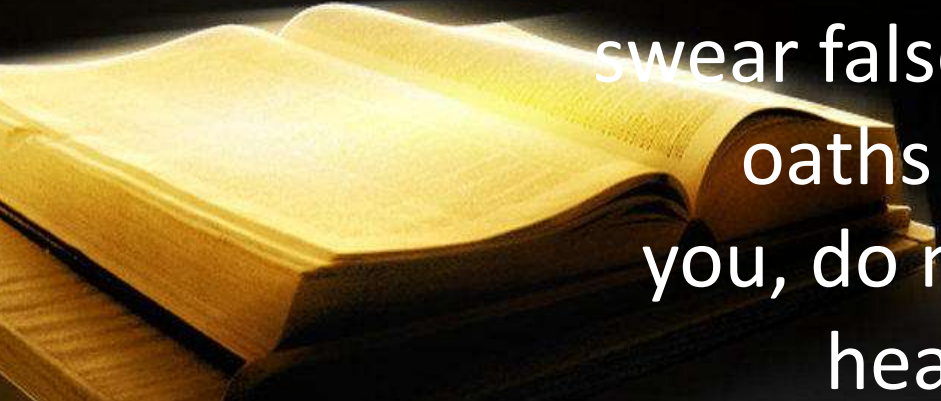


27" You have heard that it was said to those of old,  
*'You shall not commit adultery.'*

28 But I say to you that whoever looks at a  
woman to lust for her has already committed  
adultery with her in his heart.



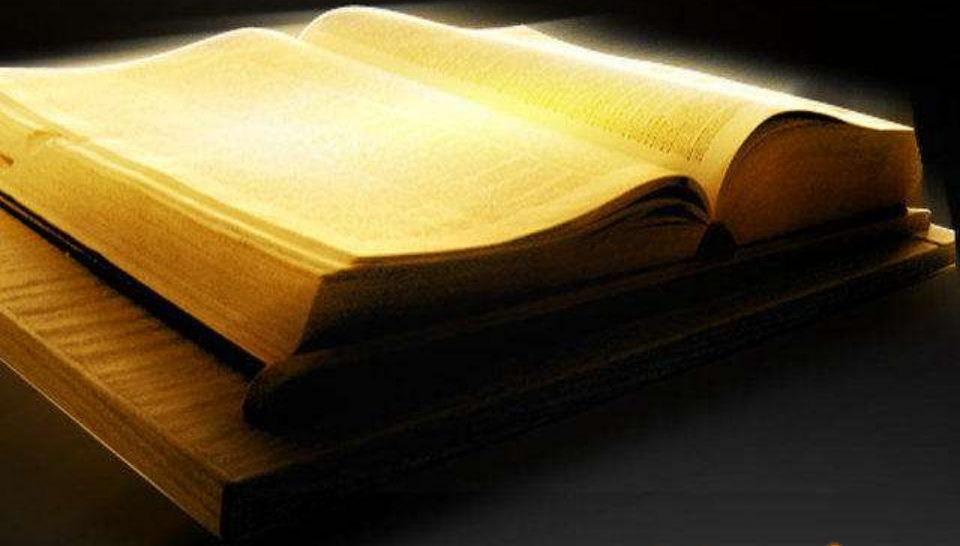
**Matthew 5:27-28**



"Furthermore it has been said, 'Whoever divorces his wife, let him give her a certificate of divorce.'<sup>32</sup> But I say to you that whoever divorces his wife for any reason except sexual immorality causes her to commit adultery; and whoever marries a woman who is divorced commits adultery.<sup>33</sup> "Again you have heard that it was said to those of old, 'You shall not swear falsely, but shall perform your oaths to the Lord.'<sup>34</sup> But I say to you, do not swear at all: neither by heaven, for it is God's throne;

**Matthew 5:31-34**

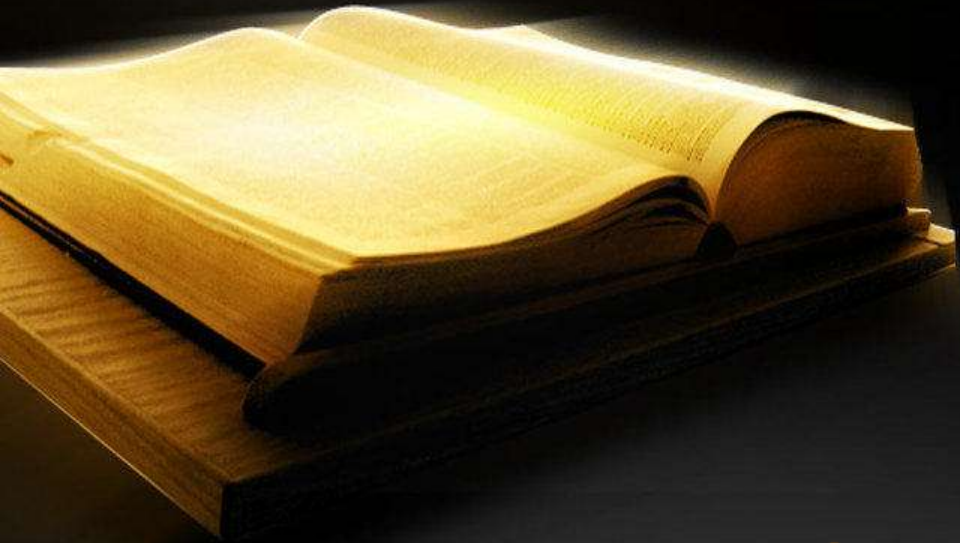
<sup>38</sup>"You have heard that it was said, '*An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth.*' <sup>39</sup> But I you not to resist an evil person. But whoever slaps you on your right cheek, turn the other to him also.



**Matthew 5:38-39**

43" You have heard that it was said, '*You shall love your neighbor* and hate your enemy.'

44 But I say to you, love your enemies, bless those who curse you, do good to those who hate you, and pray for those who spitefully use you and persecute you,



**Matthew 5:43-44**