July 20, 2025 | Don't Murder
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sermon notes

Exodus 20:13
You shall not murder.

1) If we are all made in the image of God, then to murder is to strike down the image of God.

2) There are no THROW AWAY people.

3) Exodus 21:12 “ Anyone who strikes a person with a fatal blow is to be put to death. ” Exodus 21:23 "But if there is serious injury, you are to take life for life..."

4) Committing murder in our HEART is the same as physically completing the ACT.

going deeper

Take a moment to pray. Confess your need for the Holy Spirit ’ s help in illuminating God ’ s Word to you.

Scripture Reading:
Read Genesis 4:3 – 8.

What motivated Cain to kill Abel?

Do you think Cain showed any signs of repentance?

Personal Reflection:
In your opinion, is justice truly served when a person is sentenced to death for taking another's life?

Do you believe God is willing to forgive even those who have committed the gravest of sins (like the taking of an innocent life) — if they genuinely repent?

Why do you think some people find it so easy to take another person's life? What might be driving this casual disregard for the value of life?

Humans are the only part of creation made in the image of God (the imago Dei), meaning we share certain characteristics with God, though not necessarily His physical form. What can we do to more consistently recognize all people as " image bearers" of God?

Search Your Heart:
Is there someone in your life you routinely wish harm upon? If so, take time to bring that person before God in prayer. Ask for healing, release, and transformation in your heart.

upcoming

Prime Timer ’ s Breakfast | Thurs, July 17th | 8:30am | Papa Ozz
Missionary Fellowship Group | Thurs, July 24th | 9:30am | Hope Cafe
Men ’ s Summer Event | Sat, Aug. 9th | 3pm | See Events tab for info/RSVP