

J LEARNING FROM JESUS

the sermon on the mount



YOU CAN HANDLE
THE TRUTH



*Again you have heard that it was said to
those of old, 'You shall not swear falsely,
but shall perform to the Lord what you have
sworn.'*

MATTHEW 5:33



*You shall not take the name of the Lord your
God in vain, for the Lord will not
hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain.*

EXODUS 20:7



DO NOT USE GOD'S NAME TO
PROMOTE...

- WHAT IS FALSE
- WHAT IS FRIVOLOUS
- WHAT IS PHONY



*You shall not steal; you shall not deal falsely;
you shall not lie to one another.
You shall not swear by my name falsely, and
so profane the name of your God: I
am the Lord.*

LEVITICUS 19:11-12



“Woe to you, blind guides, who say, ‘If anyone swears by the temple, it is nothing, but if anyone swears by the gold of the temple, he is bound by his oath.’ You blind fools! For which is greater, the gold or the temple that has made the gold sacred? And you say, ‘If anyone swears by the altar, it is nothing, but if anyone swears by the gift that is on the altar, he is bound by his oath.’ You blind men! For which is greater, the gift or the altar that makes the gift sacred?”

MATTHEW 23:16-19



*So whoever swears by the altar swears by it
and by everything on it. And whoever swears
by the temple swears by it and by him who
dwells in it. And whoever swears by heaven
swears by the throne of God and by him who
sits upon it.*

MATTHEW 23:20-22



THIS UTTER, RANK DISHONESTY IN CONNECTION WITH THE THINGS OF GOD IS TO BE EXPOSED AND DENOUNCED FOR THE THING IT IS. THE

PHARISEES WERE GUILTY OF THIS INDISTINGUISHING BETWEEN OATH AND OATH, SAYING THAT SOME WERE BINDING AND SOME NOT, AND THE RESULT OF ALL THIS TEACHING WAS THAT SOLEMN OATHS WERE BEING USED COMMONLY AND LIGHTLY IN CONVERSATION AND WITH RESPECT TO ALMOST EVERYTHING.

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But I say to you, Do not take an oath at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne of God, or by the earth, for it is his footstool, or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. And do not take an oath by your head, for you cannot make one hair white or black. Let what you say be simply 'Yes' or 'No'; anything more than this comes from evil.

MATTHEW 5:34-37



THE PURPOSE OF THE DIVINE OATHS WAS NOT TO
INCREASE HIS CREDIBILITY BUT TO DRAW OUT
AND CONFIRM OUR FAITH. THE FAULT WHICH
MADE GOD CONDESCEND TO THIS HUMAN LEVEL
LAY NOT IN ANYTHING UNTRUSTWORTHY ABOUT
HIM BUT IN OUR UNBELIEF.

JOHN STOTT



INTEGER (WHOLE NUMBER)
INTEGRITY (WHOLE PERSON)

FRACTION (PARTIAL NUMBER)
FRACTURED (DOUBLE MINDED PERSON)



TYPES OF LIES

- POLITICAL LIES
- EXAGGERATION
- BROKEN PROMISES
- BENEVOLENT LIES
- PLAGIARISM
- ROUTINE LIES



People swear by someone greater than themselves, and the oath confirms what is said and puts an end to all argument.

Because God wanted to make the unchanging nature of his purpose very clear to the heirs of what was promised, he confirmed it with an oath..

HEBREWS 6:16-17



God did this so that, by two unchangeable things in which it is impossible for God to lie, we who have fled to take hold of the hope set before us may be greatly encouraged. We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure. It enters the inner sanctuary behind the curtain, where our forerunner, Jesus, has entered on our behalf.

HEBREWS 6:18-20

