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TEACHING REVELATION: HOW CHRIST FULFILLED THE LAW

THE EVIDENCE OF CHRIST FULFILLING THE LAW – MATTHEW 5:17

Greetings beloved brethren in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. I want to return all the glory to God for the privilege of sharing this great revelation with you beloved brethren, may His name be praised in Jesus name. Some days ago, by God's grace, I was having my quiet time reading through the Bible. While studying Matthew 5, I came across verse 17 where Jesus said:

"Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them." – Matthew 5:17

After reading this verse, I meditated on it and began to wonder: How did Jesus fulfill the Law?

As I pondered, the Holy Spirit took me back to Exodus 20, where the Ten Commandments were given. I was led to write them down one by one, and He began to explain how Jesus fulfilled them. Jesus summarized the whole Law into two commandments, and He perfectly fulfilled them in the New Testament:

1 Matthew 22:37-38

Jesus replied: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind."

Under this commandment we have:

- You shall have no other gods before Me (Exodus 20:3)
- You shall not make for yourself an idol (Exodus 20:4)
- You shall not bow down to them nor serve them (Exodus 20:5a)
- Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy (Exodus 20:8, 11b)
- Honor your father and your mother (Exodus 20:12)

2 Matthew 22:39

"Love your neighbor as yourself."

Under this commandment come the rest of the Law:

- You shall not murder (Exodus 20:13)
- You shall not commit adultery (Exodus 20:14)
- You shall not steal (Exodus 20:15)
- You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor (Exodus 20:16)
- You shall not covet (Exodus 20:17a)

These are the two categories in which Christ fulfilled all the Law.

By God's grace, next we shall look at how He fulfilled them one after the other, starting from the first category. Please prepare your mind for it. I will be sharing the first category tomorrow, God willing.

You can also copy this message and save it, so when the first category drops, you can easily add it for better understanding. Thank you, and God bless you as you patiently wait.

HOW JESUS FULFILLED THE LAW

Remember, Christ summarized the whole Law into two great commandments:

- 1 "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind." (Matthew 22:38)
- 2 "Love your neighbor as yourself." (Matthew 22:39)

Let us now see how Jesus fulfilled the laws under these two categories.



CATEGORY ONE: LOVING GOD

Under this, several of the commandments fall, and we will examine how Christ fulfilled them.

1 You shall have no other gods before Me (Exodus 20:3)
Jesus fulfilled this when Satan tempted Him in the wilderness: Matthew 4:8-10. Satan offered Him the kingdoms of the world if He would bow down and worship him. But Jesus refused and declared, "Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and Him only shalt thou serve." By refusing to bow to Satan, Jesus upheld the first commandment. Remember Israel's failure with the golden calf in Exodus 32, Christ succeeded where they failed.

2 You shall not make idols (Exodus 20:4)
Matthew 6:24 No man can serve two masters. "Ye cannot serve God and mammon." Here, Jesus pointed out that idols (like Mammon) compete with God for our hearts. He showed by example that we must cling to God alone. Christ fulfilled this law exposing false masters and teaching total loyalty to the one true God.

3 You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain (Exodus 20:7)
Jesus, being God Himself, never misused God's name. His words carried power and truth, what He bound was bound, and what He loosed was loosed.
• He always spoke truth John 14:6
• He never compromised God's standard Matthew 5:33-37 warns against careless swearing.

Today, many call on God's name without reverence, or say phrases like "I swear to God" lightly. But Jesus fulfilled this command by showing perfect reverence and truth in every word. When we call ourselves Christians or believers and still harbor evil in our hearts, if we call on the name of God in prayer under such conditions, we are calling on Him in vain. It becomes sin to us, because we continue to allow evil to live within us.

4 Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy (Exodus 20:8-11)

Many misunderstood the Sabbath, turning it into either a day of idleness or worldly pleasure. But Jesus showed its true meaning, a day for mercy, healing, and holiness. On the Sabbath, Jesus:

1. Healed a man with dropsy - Luke 14:2-5
2. Restored sight to a man born blind - John 9:1-16
3. Healed the lame man at Bethesda - John 5:1-18
4. Healed a crippled woman - Luke 13:10-17
5. Restored a man's withered hand - Matthew 12:9-13
6. Preached the gospel - Luke 4:16

By removing burdens, healing the sick, and doing good, Jesus made the Sabbath truly holy. He taught that showing love, helping the needy, and serving God is the true fulfillment of the Sabbath law.

Sickness can sometimes make people unclean. When we visit the sick in the hospital and pray for them, show love to the less privileged, go out for soul winning, and do similar acts of love on the Sabbath day, we are truly keeping it holy.

5 Honor your father and your mother (Exodus 20:12)

Matthew 15:4-6 Jesus rebuked the Pharisees for their hypocrisy. They created traditions that allowed people to neglect their parents under the excuse of dedicating resources as "a gift to God." By this, they made God's Word ineffective. Jesus upheld the true meaning of this law, honoring and caring for parents cannot be replaced by empty tradition.

This brings us to the end of the first category of the Law, which focuses on "Loving God".

By God grace we continue tomorrow with the second category which focuses on "Loving our neighbors". Thank you so much, my beloved in Christ. God bless you.



CATEGORY TWO: LOVING OUR NEIGHBOR

Under this commandment comes the rest of the laws. Let us take a look at them one after another, as led by the Holy Spirit.

6 You shall not murder (Exodus 20:13)

Matthew 5:21-24 Jesus fulfilled this law by going deeper and showing the root causes that can lead to murder. These include: anger, saying "Raca" to your brother, and calling someone a "fool." Murder begins in the heart. To truly obey this commandment, we must guard our hearts, watch our words, and walk in love toward others.

7 You shall not commit adultery (Exodus 20:14)

Matthew 5:27-28 Jesus fulfilled this law by raising the standard beyond the physical act. He taught that adultery does not begin only when a man or woman lies with another, but even when one looks at someone lustfully in their heart, they are already guilty before God. It all begins with a look, then a desire, and eventually results in lust if it is not checked. That is why Jesus points us back to purity of heart, not just outward actions. In life, whatever you know you should not eat, it is better not to bring it close enough to smell. In the same way, avoid situations, sights, or thoughts that can stir up lust, so that you may walk in holiness and keep your heart pure before God.

8 You shall not steal (Exodus 20:15)

Jesus fulfilled this law by living a life free from greed, covetousness, or dishonest gain. In John 10:10, He described the devil as a thief who comes only to steal, kill, and destroy, while He Himself comes to give life, and life in abundance. Stealing is taking what does not belong to you, whether by force, deceit, or crookedness. Anyone who steals is reflecting the character of the devil, carrying his image rather than God's. But Jesus showed us a better way. Nowhere in Scripture do we see Him demanding payment for miracles, forcing people by pretense, or taking advantage of anyone. Instead, His life was marked by generosity and goodness. As the Bible says in Acts 10:38: "How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power, who went about doing good, and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him."

9 You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour (Exodus 20:16)

To bear false witness is to accuse or testify against someone wrongly, speaking lies about them in order to condemn, deceive, or harm them. God hates a lying tongue because it destroys trust, unity, and justice among His people. Jesus perfectly fulfilled this law because He is the embodiment of truth. John 14:6, He declared: "I am the way, the truth, and the life." He never spoke deceitfully, never twisted the truth, and never gave false testimony. Everything He said came to pass, and even in the face of death, He stood firmly for the truth without compromise. As His followers, we are called to reflect His truthfulness in both word and actions.

10 You shall not covet (Exodus 20:17)

To covet is to desire earnestly what belongs to another, their house, spouse, possessions, achievements, or position. Covetousness begins in the heart, but it often leads to jealousy, strife, stealing, or other sins when left unchecked. Jesus fulfilled this law by living a life of perfect contentment and trust in the Father. He had no earthly wealth, yet He never envied or desired what others had. Instead, He taught us to "seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness" (Matthew 6:33), and warned that "a man's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions" (Luke 12:15). Coveting reflects a heart that is not satisfied with God's provision. But Jesus showed us that true riches are not in material things, but in doing the will of the Father and storing up treasures in heaven (Matthew 6:19-21). Therefore, when we resist covetousness and live with thankful hearts, we reflect Christ's example and fulfill God's commandment.

HOW JESUS SUMMARIZED THE WHOLE LAW INTO TWO GREAT COMMANDMENTS

The first commandment, "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, and mind" (Matthew 22:37), is the foundation of commandments 1-5. If we truly love God, we will have no other gods before Him, because love gives Him first place in our heart. We will not make or bow to idols, because love worships Him only in spirit and truth. We will not take His name in vain because true reverence comes from love and fear of God. We will remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy because loving God is also seen through obedience. And we will honor our father and mother, because they represent the authority God has placed and show gratitude for those who gave us life. In all these laws, love for God is the true fulfillment of the law.

The second great commandment, "Love your neighbour as yourself" (Matthew 22:39), is the foundation of commandments 6-10. If you truly love your neighbour, you will not murder, because love protects life. You will not commit adultery, because love honors covenant and guards purity. You will not steal, because love gives rather than takes. You will not bear false witness, because love speaks truth and seeks your neighbour's good. And you will not covet, because love is content and rejoices when others are blessed. In this way, Jesus showed that the whole law is fulfilled through love. He did not destroy the law, but fulfilled it perfectly and taught us the true spirit behind every commandment.



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