

THE SIN OF ADULTERY

Matthew 5:27-30

INTRODUCTION:

In today's message, we will study **The Sin Of Adultery**. Jesus is teaching that it is possible to commit adultery in the heart without ever physically touching a person. Adultery is a Sin.

- **“Thou shalt not commit adultery” (Exod 20:14).**

In this message, we will study five (5) points related to **The Sin Of Adultery**:

- I. **THE LAW AGAINST ADULTERY** (vv. 27; Exod 20:14; Deut 5:18)
 - A. **The Law against Adultery is recorded as the Seventh Commandment.**
 - B. **Adultery is a serious sin in the Bible and is prohibited by the Seventh Commandment (1 John 5:3).**
 - C. **God gave us the Seventh Commandment: to preserve our lives.**

- II. **THE MEANING OF ADULTERY** (vv. 27-28)
 - A. **According to the KJV Dictionary, Adultery is defined as a violation of the marriage bed, a violation of marriage vows, or sexual intercourse between a married person and someone other than their spouse.**
 - B. **“Ye have heard Thou shalt not commit adultery” (v. 27)**
 - C. **“But I say unto you” (v. 28)**
 - D. **Jesus said there are three phases of Adultery: (1) Eye Adultery – Looking, Staring (2) Heart Adultery – Desiring and Lusting, and (3) Body Adultery – The Physical Act of Adultery.**

- III. **THE CULPRITS OF ADULTERY** (vv. 29a-30a)
 - A. **The two culprits in Adultery are Eyes and Hands**
 - B. **Jesus was speaking figuratively when He spoke about plucking out the “Right Eye” and “Cutting off the “Right Hand.” (Rom 8:13; Gal 6:8; Col 3:5)**

- IV. **THE CONSEQUENCES OF ADULTERY**
 - A. **Adultery causes problems.**
 - B. **Adultery is a Sin committed against one's own body (1 Cor 6:8).**
 - C. **Adultery ruins the reputation of a Church and Christians (Prov 5:14).**
 - D. **Adultery can severely hinder one's spiritual growth and effectiveness in ministry.**
 - E. **The person committing Adultery and never repents is living a secret life (Job 24:15).**
 - F. **The person committing Adultery and never repents is enslaved to a sinful lifestyle (2 Pet 2:14).**
 - G. **“Adultery (disobeying His Command) taken to its logical conclusion is not only a hard-hearted disposition towards the Almighty, but also an act of outright hatred (nothing more, nothing less and nothing else) towards a spouse leading to painful consequences.” - Suresh Manoharan**
 - H. **Adultery**
 - **J. Allan Peterson**
 - **David Crabtree**

V. THE REMEDY FOR ADULTERY

- A. “Walk in the Spirit” – walk with God daily (Gal 5:16)
- B. Guard Your Heart (Prov 4:23; Ps 119:9)
- C. Watch Your Eyes (Job 31:1; Ps 101:3)
- D. Honor Your Marriage (Mal 2:15-16; Heb 13:4)
- E. Stay away from places and people that might lead to suggestive conversations and enticement. Always dress to please God – Do not cause others to Sin.

Note:

Christ declared that Adultery is not an unforgiveable Sin and that people can turn away from a life on Sin. Confess and repent of the Sin of Adultery (Acts 8:22; 1 John 1:9)

- “A happy marriage is the union of two good forgivers.” – Ruth Graham

CONCLUSION:

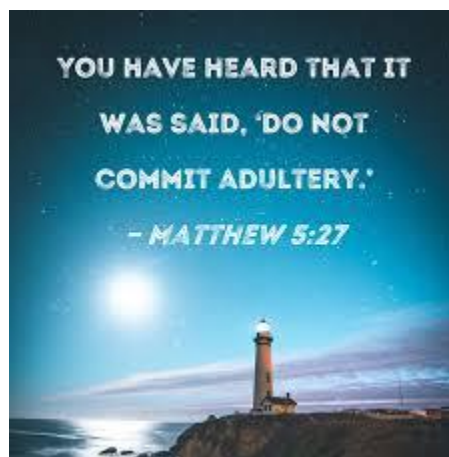
A. In this message, “The Sin of Adultery,” we have covered, The Law Against Adultery, The Meaning of Adultery, The Culprits of Adultery, The Consequences of Adultery, and The Remedy for Adultery.

- “Thou shalt not commit adultery” (Exod 20:14; Deut 5:18)

B. “Lord, grant me the strength from day to day – how prone I am to go astray; The passions of my flesh are strong; be thou, my God, shield me from wrong.” – Dennis J. Dehann

C. “I want my life and marriage to look less like the world and more like Christ.” – Marquis Clarke

D. Romans Road (Rom 3:10, 23; 5:8; 10:9, 13)



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“... the word of our God shall stand for ever” (Isa 40:8).