



Discussion Questions Jesus & The Ten Commandments Week 6: You Shall Not Murder

1. When you read the Commandment "You shall not murder", what thoughts, questions, and infractions come to mind?
2. In **Genesis 9:6**, we are told that murder is horrible because "*in the image of God has God made mankind.*" How does this idea create a foundation for this Commandment? Does seeing people as image-bearers shift how you think about, feel about or treat them?
3. Read Jesus' commentary on this Commandment found in the Sermon on the Mount (**Matthew 5:21-26**). Do you think Jesus' teaching here is a formula for every challenging or hurtful relationship people might experience?
4. The word Jesus uses for 'angry' in this passage is the Greek word *orgizō*, which means a long-lived bitterness or resentment in the heart.
Have you ever felt this way (or been tempted to feel this way) about someone?
Has anyone ever felt this way about you?
What was the impact of that long-lived bitterness?
5. How does Jesus' explanation shift the way you understand this Commandment?
6. What questions, encouragements, or challenges does this Commandment and Jesus' teaching bring up for you?

7. Are there any takeaways or action steps you feel the Holy Spirit is using this Commandment to spark in you?