

Trinity Bible Church  
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Lesson 30

## Dispensational Transitions

- I. From the Dispersion into Babylon to the close of the Old Testament
- II. Between the Testaments.
- III. The New Testament World.
  10. The Sermon on the Mount.
    - L. Choosing The Twelve. Matt 10:2-4; 12:15b-21 Mark 3:7b-19b; Luke 6:12-19
    - M. Teaching on the Mountain. Matt 5:1-12; Luke 6:20-26
    - N. Salt Of The Earth. Matthew 5:13-20
    - O. Six Contrasts In Interpreting The Law. Matt 5:21-37
      1. Murder and Anger.
      2. Adultery and Lust.

Matt 5:27 = The Proposition.

"You have heard that it was said, 'You shall not commit adultery

Matt 5:28 = The Problem.

but I Myself say to you, that everyone who looks on a woman to lust for her has committed adultery with her already in his heart.

### Summary:

1. Strong emotional desires are not inherently sinful.
  - a. Desire to know God's word. Matt 13:17; 1 Pet 1:12
  - b. Desire for physical sustenance. Luke 15:16; 16:20-21
  - c. Desire for the Lord's presence. Luke 17:21-22
  - d. Desire for spiritual fellowship. Luke 22:15
  - e. Desire for spiritual office. 1 Tim 3:1
  - f. Desire for spiritual diligence in others. Heb 6:10-12
2. Strong desires become sinful based on the motives and objects desired. Rom 7:7-8
  - a. A desire for someone else's valuables or clothing. Acts 20:33
  - b. A desire for evil things. 1 Cor 10:5-6
  - c. A desire for fleshly things. Gal 5:17
3. Selfish desires lead to conflicts. James 4:1-2

Matt 5:29 = The Solution To Lust?

"And if your right eye makes you stumble, tear it out, and throw it from you; for it is better for you that one of the parts of your body perish, than for your whole body to be thrown into hell.

### Matt 5:30 = The Solution To Thievery?

"And if your right hand makes you stumble, cut it off, and throw it from you; for it is better for you that one of the parts of your body perish, than for your whole body to go into hell.

#### **SUMMARY:**

1. Jesus connects the 7th and the 10th Commandments together.
2. This is a foundation stone of the need for Systematic Theology.
3. Had the Jews compared Scripture with Scripture, they could have realized that the mental attitude was just as significant as the overt sin.
4. Jesus recommends some radical solutions to the problem of sin.
5. If the eye is the real problem, tear it out and throw it away. This is the person who cannot handle the temptation.
6. Or if the hand is the real problem, cut it off and throw it away.
7. The point is to separate oneself from the cause of sin.
8. Jesus is addressing those who are always looking for a scapegoat to blame personal sins on.
9. The issue here is getting serious in the battle against sin.
10. Sin is not easily defined, understood or recognized when it is approached from a "letterist" viewpoint.
11. Sin may be truly understood only in the realm of godly love. Rom 13:8-10

### The Many Facets Of Spiritual Adultery:

1. Spiritual Adultery follows other gods and other standards. Matt 12:39-40
2. Spiritual Adultery clings to law for salvation. Rom 7:1-4
  - A. This is addressed to those living under the Law.
  - B. Women could not divorce their husband, only men could divorce their wife.
  - C. All Believers, being view as "women," could not divorce themselves from their husband, the Law.
  - D. The "Law" had to die so that they could be joined to another.
  - E. This is an illustration taken from the Mosaic Law, not a statement of doctrine for the Church.
3. Spiritual Adultery is a friend of the world. James 4:1-4
4. Any type of unrepentant adultery is costly. 1 Cor 6:9-12
5. Since it is a direct attack on God's Divine Design for mankind, He will handle the judgment Himself. Heb 13:4
6. Spiritual Adultery motivates false teachers. 2 Pet 2:12-15
7. Legalistic arrogance is a far greater spiritual problem in the Angelic Conflict than forgiven sin. Luke 18:10-14