

THE LAW ADDRESSES HEART LEVEL SIN ISSUES

MATTHEW 5:21-22 MATTHEW 5:27-28

MATTHEW 5:31-33

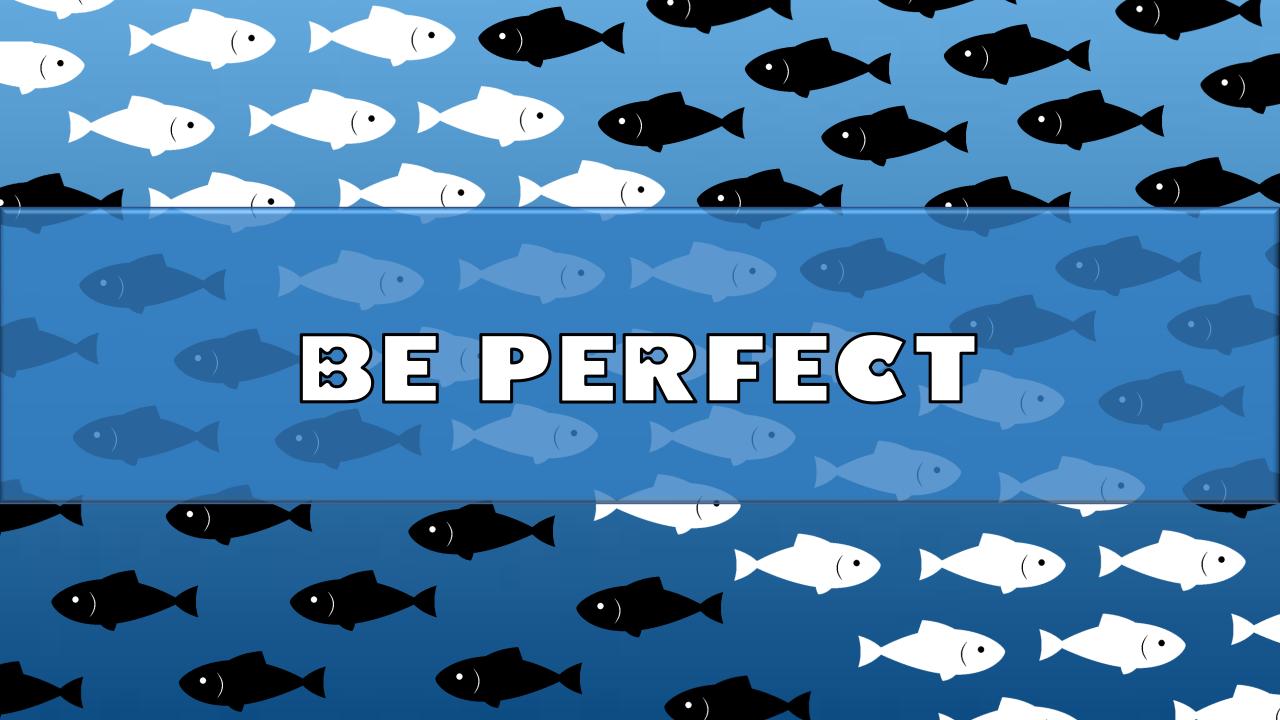
MATTHEW 5:33-35 MATTHEW 5:38-39

MATTHEW 5:43-45

THE SCRIBES AND PHARISEES HAD TWISTED AND ADJUSTED THE MOSAIC LAW, SO THAT, OUTWARDLY (TO SOME) DEGREE THEY COULD KEEP IT

ANY ATTEMPT (IN OUR OWN STRENGTH TO FOLLOW THE RULES, LEAVES US EXPOSED TO THE PRESSURE AND WEIGHT OF THE ENTIRE LAW





I. THE CONTEXT THE SCRIBES AND PHARISEES COVER TIME: HAD REDUCED THE MOSAIC LAW TO A HUMANLY ATTAINABLE STANDARD OF OUTWARD CONFORMITY

"PERFECT" IS NOT A VERB, IT'S ANADJECTIVE. WHAT THAT MEANS IS PERFECT IS NOT AN ACTION, IT'S A STATE OF BEING CPERFECT IS A DESCRIPTOR OF WHO WE ARE EPHESIANS 2:1-10

AS FOLLOWERS OF JESUS, WE SHOULD BE RESEMBLING HIM MORE IN EVERYTHING WEPARTICIPATEIN CHRISTLIKENESS?

II. THE COMPARISON MATTHEW 5:48 OUR GOD, WHO SITS ON HIS THRONE IN HEAVEN IS FLAWLESS CHE'S HOLY AND PERFECT? AS REPRESENTATIONS OF CHRIST, WE ARE TO WALK LIKE CHRIST (.

I JOHN 2:1-6 PRESENTLY (POSITIONALLY SPEAKING? FOLLOWERS OF CHRIST ARE COMPLETE WE LACK NOTHING? OUR FUTURE IS SECURE IN CHRIST

ALL GLORY IS GIVEN TO OUR GOD, WHO TAKES THE BROKEN AND REBELLIOUS AND THROUGH HIS GRACE, REGENERATES US

PHILIPPIANS 3:4-17 MATTHEW 5:48