

Questions for Life

From Sunday, November 1, 2009

Is That in the Bible? Let Your Yes Be Yes and Your No Be No

Matthew 5:33 "You have heard that it was said to those of old, 'You shall not swear falsely, but shall perform your oaths to the Lord.' 34 "But I say to you, do not swear at all: neither by heaven, for it is God's throne; 35 "nor by the earth, for it is His footstool; nor by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. 36 "Nor shall you swear by your head, because you cannot make one hair white or black. 37 "But let your 'Yes' be 'Yes,' and your 'No,' 'No.' For whatever is more than these is from the evil one."

Leviticus 19:12 "You shall not swear by My name falsely..."

Deuteronomy 6:13 "You shall fear the LORD your God and serve Him, and shall take oaths in His name."

Numbers 30:2 "If a man makes a vow to the LORD, or swears an oath to bind himself by some agreement, he shall not break his word; he shall do according to all that proceeds out of his mouth."

1. Please read Matthew 5:33-37.

2. Can you give examples of times that you have done (or seen others do) what Jesus said not to do in verse 37?

3. Can you give examples of times that you have done (or seen others do) what Jesus said to do in verse 37?

4. What difference has 5:33-37 made (or can it make) in your life?