

Matthew 5-7

The Law and the Prophets

Matthew 5:20

For I tell you that unless your righteousness surpasses that of the Pharisees and the teachers of the law, you will certainly not enter the kingdom of heaven.

You have heard

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But I tell you

Do Not Murder

No Anger in Your Heart

Do Not Commit Adultery

Don't Even Look Lustfully

Divorce Needs  
Paperwork

Divorce is Adultery

An Eye for an Eye

Turn the Other Cheek

## Matthew 5:43-48

<sup>43</sup> “You have heard that it was said, ‘Love your neighbor and hate your enemy.’ <sup>44</sup> But I tell you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, <sup>45</sup> that you may be children of your Father in heaven. He causes his sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous. <sup>46</sup> If you love those who love you, what reward will you get? Are not even the tax collectors doing that? <sup>47</sup> And if you greet only your own people, what are you doing more than others? Do not even pagans do that? <sup>48</sup> Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

You have heard

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But I tell you

Love Your Neighbor

Love Your Enemy

Be Perfect as Your Heavenly Father is Perfect

Give to the Needy

Give to the Needy in Secret

# Prayer

## *Kaddish*

Hallowed by your name

May your kingdom come

May your will be done on earth.

## *Jesus adds...*

Give us our daily bread

Forgive us our sins as we forgive others

Lead us not into temptation

What does righteousness that surpasses the scribes and the Pharisees look like?

Matthew 7:12

So in everything, do to others what you would have them do to you, for this sums up the Law and the Prophets.

Jesus made sure to inseparably link

our Love of God

to

our Love of Others.

# Surpassing Righteousness?

It's not about LOOKING GOOD

It's about BEING GOOD

Looking Good is SELF focused  
Being Good is OTHERS focused

**Our mouths can speak that we love God,  
but our hearts and actions toward  
others declare it as truth or lie.**

But seek first *his kingdom*  
and *his righteousness*,  
and all these things  
will be given to you as well.