

The Bible: The Old Law and the New Law

Chapter 37 Summary

Chapter Learning Objectives

- The participants will examine how the Old Law is fulfilled in the New Law of Love.
- The participants will explore the Beatitudes and how they are lived out in their everyday lives.

Content Summary

1. The Ten Commandments are the most important laws we find in the Old Testament.
2. The Ten Commandments are incomplete without Jesus' New Law of Love.
3. The Old Law can also be called the Original Law and is not outdated or expired.
4. We look to the Church to apply the Ten Commandments to our time and culture.
5. The New Law, which Jesus taught, fulfills and completes the Old Law.
6. The clearest expression of the New Law is in the Sermon on the Mount (see Matthew 5:1—7:29).
7. In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus explains that the Ten Commandments teach us how to love. The New Law is a Law of Love.
8. The Bible contains practical moral advice, particularly in the Book of Proverbs and in the Letters of Saint Paul and other epistles.

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