Jesus and the Law of Moses

Circle the set of scriptural texts that you and your group members have been assigned to read. As a group, compare the texts and discuss the questions listed below.

**A.** Exodus 20:7 and Matthew 5:33–37

**B.** Exodus 20:13 and Matthew 5:21–26

**C.** Exodus 20:14 and Matthew 5:27–30

**D.** Exodus 21:12 and Matthew 5:21–26

**E.** Leviticus 19:18 and Matthew 5:43–48

**F.** Leviticus 24:20 and Matthew 5:38–42

**G.** Deuteronomy 24:1–5 and Matthew 5:31–32

For Discussion

**1.** Based on your reading of these two scriptural texts, what is significant about how Jesus reinterprets the Mosaic Law?

**2.** For Matthew’s Jewish audience, which was familiar with Mosaic Law, why might this reinterpretation have been troublesome or difficult to accept?

**3.** For Matthew’s Gentile audience, why might this reinterpretation have been appealing?