



“FOSTERING HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS”

Series: “LIVING FROM THE INSIDE OUT”, Part 3 of 19

Sunday, July 16, 2023, at 9:00 & 11:00 AM

Text: Matthew 5:21-26

Big Idea: The quality and health of our relationships with fellow brothers and sisters within the church says a lot about the health of our relationship with God.

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.”

Matthew 5:21, “You have heard that it was said to the people long ago, ‘Do not murder, and anyone who murders will be subject to judgment.’”

Matthew 5:22a, But I tell you that anyone who is angry with his brother will be subject to judgment.

Psalms 85:4-5, “Restore us again, O God our Savior, and put away your displeasure toward us. Will you be angry with us forever? Will you prolong your anger through all generations?”

Ephesians 4:26a, “In your anger do not sin.”

Genesis 4:5b, “Cain was very angry, and his face was downcast.

Genesis 4:6b-7, “Why are you angry? Why is your face downcast? If you do what is right, will you not be accepted? But if you do not do what is right, sin is crouching at your door; it desires to have you, but you must master it.”

Matthew 5:22b, “Again, anyone who says to his brother, ‘Raca,’ is answerable to the Sanhedrin.”

Matthew 5:22c, “But anyone who says, ‘You fool!’ will be in danger of the fire of hell.”

Matthew 5:23, “Therefore, if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you ...”

Matthew 5:24, "Leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled to your brother; then come and offer your gift."

1 John 4:20-21, If anyone says, "I love God," yet hates his brother, he is a liar. For anyone who does not love his brother, whom he has seen, cannot love God, whom he has not seen. And he has given us this command: Whoever loves God must also love his brother.

Ephesians 4:3, "Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace."

Matthew 5:25-26, "Settle matters quickly with your adversary who is taking you to court. Do it while you are still with him on the way, or he may hand you over to the judge, and the judge may hand you over to the officer, and you may be thrown into prison. I tell you the truth, you will not get out until you have paid the last penny.

Romans 12:18, "If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone."