

Sermon Notes: July 16, 2017

Fulfilling God's Law

Series: "Sermon on the Mount: True Righteousness"

Matthew 5:17-37 • Pastor Paul Bradford

- **God's righteous standards do not change.**
 - **Righteousness is from the inside out, so we must guard our hearts.**
 - **As Christ followers we build lives and reconcile relationships.**
 - **As Christ followers we urgently seek to uphold the sanctity of marriage in our lives.**
 - **As Christ followers we speak the truth and keep our word.**
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- **Our Response: Jesus calls us to guard our hearts so that we might build lives, stay pure, and keep our word.**
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- **Life Application**
 - In what area of life is the Lord challenging you to guard your heart? What radical steps might you need to take to do so?
 - What relationship in your life do you need to reconcile? What steps do you need to take?
 - Ask the Lord to place a person on your heart whom you need to build up with your words. Commit to speaking life-giving words to that person this week.
 - What radical step is God calling you to take to guard His design for human sexuality in your life?
 - Where is God calling you to give your word and to keep your word? Remember: *Keeping my word means doing what I said I would do, when I said I would do it, and in the manner that it was meant to be done.*