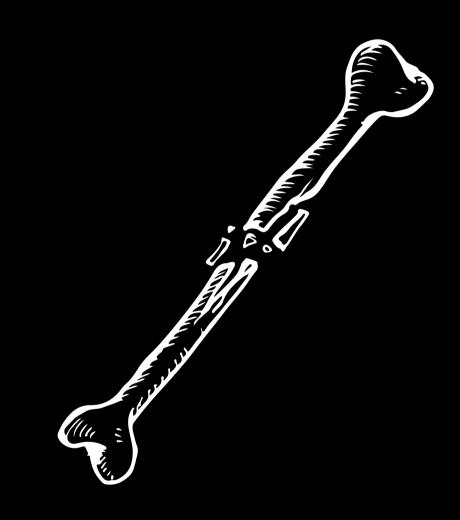


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You have heard that it was said to those of old, "You shall not murder; and whoever murders will be liable to judgment."



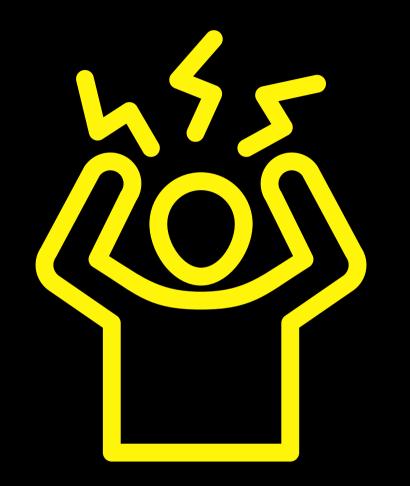
But I say to you that everyone who is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment; whoever insults his brother will be liable to the council; and whoever says, "You fool!" will be liable to the hell of fire.

So if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you,

Leave your gift there before the altar and go. First be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift.

Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are going with him to court, lest your accuser hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you be put in prison.

Truly, I say to you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny.



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What does Pharisee-exceeding righteousness look like?

THE TRUTH (21-22): Anger = murder



Whoever says to his brother, "Raca," is guilty before a higher court.

Literal Translation of Matthew 5:22

Raca \approx contempt the feeling that a person is beneath you

But what about righteous anger?

Anger moves us.

So what am I supposed to do?

And he said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets."

Matthew 22:37-40

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation.

2 Corinthians 5:17-19

THE MINISTRY OF RECONCILIATION: showing and sharing the love, grace, mercy, forgiveness, and peace that God has shown us in Jesus for His glory

2 QUESTIONS... Are you holding on?

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