

# sermon discussion

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## MAIN POINTS & KEY SCRIPTURES

### Why is murder wrong?

- Genesis 9:6

### 6th Commandment

- Exodus 20:13

### What is murder?

### Pro-Abortion Arguments

- Deuteronomy 12:29-31

### Christians are called to stand for those who can't.

- Isaiah 1:17
- Psalm 82:3
- Deuteronomy 10:18

### We are all capable of murder.

- Genesis 4:3-8
- Matthew 5:21-22

### How to Be Pro-Life ;)

#### 1. Lead others to eternal life.

- John 3:36
- Matthew 28:19

#### 2. Lead a life of love.

- John 13:34
- One Another

#### 3. Lead a life of faithfulness.

- Revelation 2:10

## GROUP DISCUSSION

1. Many Americans are fascinated by true crime stories. What value, if any, do you think there might be in watching or listening to true crime tales?
2. **Read Genesis 4:1-16.** What events led to the first murder recorded in scripture and what consequences resulted from this violent act? Make a list of who was affected.
3. **Read Genesis 9:6.** What is the basis for capital punishment this verse describes?
4. In Matthew 5:21-26 Jesus parallels the motives of an angry heart with murder. While this might seem an extreme depiction, Jesus shows us that the intent of the original law applies just as accurately to our internal state as it does to our outward actions. In what ways is our anger or verbal slander morally equivalent to murder? Why is unforgiveness wrong?
5. Imagine your anger is a volcano. Describe what it looks and sounds like before an eruption, during one, and afterwards.
6. In light of Ephesians 4:26-27 and Matthew 5:21-26, how should you deal with anger?
7. How does a biblical understanding of murder affect your thoughts or relate to issues such as abortion or euthanasia? What more do you need to consider or what questions do you need to ask to bring clarity to your stance?

## GOING FURTHER

**MEMORIZE:** *"In your anger do not sin": Do not let the sun go down while you are still angry, and do not give the devil a foothold."* **Ephesians 4:26-27 NIV**

**WATCH:** Is there a conflict between being pro-life and pro-death penalty at the same time? Watch 20 Questions with Pastor Mike (Episode 12) November 20, 2020 (0:04-3:46)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mMLXpcNgrFo>.

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