

## Lovin the Law – Life Matters

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**Romans 14:1 (NIV)** – “Accept the one whose faith is weak, without quarreling over disputable matters”.

**Revelation 19:16 (NIV)** – “On His robe and on His thigh He has this name written: KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS”.

“Nobody knows what we’re for, only what we’re against when we judge the wounded. What if we put down our signs, crossed over the lines, and love like you did?” – **Casting Crowns, Jesus Friend of Sinners**

**Romans 14:15 (NIV)** – “If your brother or sister is distressed because of what you eat, you are no longer acting in love. Do not by your eating destroy someone for whom Christ died”.

“In essentials, unity; in non-essentials, liberty; in all things, charity” – **St. Augustine**

**Exodus 20:13 (NIV)** - “You shall not murder”.

**Matthew 5:21-22 (NKJV)** – “You have heard that it was said to those of old, ‘You shall not murder, and whoever murders will be in danger of the judgment’. But I say to you that whoever is angry with his brother without a cause shall be in danger of the judgment. And whoever says to his brother, ‘Raca!’ shall be in danger of the council. But whoever says, ‘You fool!’ shall be in danger of hell fire”.

**Raca** = Aramaic term expression of contempt meaning “good-for-nothing, nitwit, blockhead, numbskull, bonehead, or brainless idiot”.

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**Matthew 12:33-37 (NIV)** – “Make a tree good and its fruit will be good, or make a tree bad and its fruit will be bad, for a tree is recognized by its fruit. You brood of vipers, how can you who are evil say anything good? For the mouth speaks what the heart is full of. A good man brings good things out of the good stored up in him, and an evil man bring evil things out of the evil stored up in him. But I tell you that everyone will have to give account on the day of judgment for every empty word they have spoken. For by your words you will be acquitted, and by your words you will be condemned”.

**Matthew 5:23-24 (NIV)** – “Therefore, if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled to them; then come and offer your gift”.

**James 3:9-10 (NIV)** – “With the tongue we praise our Lord and Father, and with it we curse human beings, who have been made in God’s likeness. Out of the same mouth come praise and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this should not be”.

**Numbers 12:1-2 (NIV)** – Miriam and Aaron began to talk against Moses because of his Cushite wife, for he had married a Cushite. “Has the Lord spoken only through Moses?” they asked. “Hasn’t He also spoken through us?” And the Lord heard this.

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**Romans 2:6-11 (NIV)** – “God will repay each person according to what they have done. To those who by persistence in doing good seek glory, honor, and immortality, He will give eternal life. But for those who are self-seeking and who reject the truth and follow evil, there will be wrath and anger. There will be trouble and distress for every human being who does evil: first for the Jew, then for the Gentile; but glory, honor, and peace for everyone who does good: first for the Jew, then for the Gentile. For God does not show favoritism”.

**Jeremiah 1:5a (NIV)** – “Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you”.

“Christ died that we might live. This is the opposite of abortion. Abortion kills that someone might live differently” – ***John Piper***

**Psalms 139:13-16 (NIV)** – “For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother’s womb. I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well. My frame was not hidden from you when I was made in the secret place, when I was woven together in the depths of the earth. Your eyes saw my unformed body; all the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be”.

“The so-called right to abortion has pitted mothers against their children and women against men. It has sown violence and discord at the heart of the most intimate human relationships. It has aggravated the derogation of the father’s role in an increasingly fatherless society. It has portrayed the greatest of gifts—a child—as a competitor, an intrusion and an inconvenience. It has nominally accorded mothers unfettered dominion over the dependent lives of their physically dependent sons and daughters. And, in granting this unconscionable power, it has exposed many women to unjust and selfish demands from their husbands or other sexual partners” – ***Mother Teresa***