

Creative Coffees: Commitment Wednesday, March 6th, 2024

READ/LISTEN:

Matthew 5:33-37 NIV / 33 "Again, you have heard that it was said to the people long ago, 'Do not break your oath, but fulfill to the Lord the vows you have made.' 34 But I tell you, do not swear an oath at all: either by heaven, for it is God's throne; 35 or by the earth, for it is his footstool; or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the Great King. 36 And do not swear by your head, for you cannot make even one hair white or black. 37 All you need to say is simply 'Yes' or 'No'; anything beyond this comes from the evil one.

REFLECT:

Read the passage again. Focus on any words, phrases, themes, or memories God is drawing you into. Feel free to sit in this as long as desired or join in discussion.

DISCUSS:

What stood out in the passage above? How might it impact your personal or professional life? Are there specific examples you'd like to share?

GO:

What is one way you (or the group) could apply this teaching in your life? Once discussion is over, pray for one another and go with God.

Additional Resources:

"Jesus teaches that we should be so true to our words that the need for oaths disappears."

–Dan Doriani, Did Jesus Forbid Us from Taking Oaths? (Matthew 5)

https://www.crossway.org/articles/did-iesus-forbid-us-from-taking-oaths-matthew-5/

■ 8. Jesus, Truth, & Spin [Matthew] - Tim Mackie (The Bible Project)

https://bibleproject.com/podcast/matthew-p8-jesus-truth-spin/