

JESUS

GREATEST HITS

The Ruling on the Field Stands

- Don't block the TV
- No talking during commercials
- Keep your rookie questions to yourself
- No double-dipping
- Bring more than a 2L of soda

Matthew 5:17-18 (CEB): ¹⁷“Don't even begin to think that I have come to do away with the Law and the Prophets. I haven't come to do away with them but to fulfill them. ¹⁸I say to you very seriously that as long as heaven and earth exist, neither the smallest letter nor even the smallest stroke of a pen will be erased from the Law until everything there becomes a reality.

Law and the Prophet = Hebrew Bible

Matthew 5:18(CEB), “...neither the smallest letter nor even the smallest stroke...”

Matthew 5:17-20, (CEB): ¹⁹Therefore, whoever ignores one of the least of these commands and teaches others to do the same will be called the lowest in the kingdom of heaven. But whoever keeps these commands and teaches people to keep them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. ²⁰I say to you that unless your righteousness is greater than the righteousness of the legal experts and the Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

He doesn't say, “we need a better law”.

He says, “we need a better righteousness.”

Relationships without rules are destructive.

Rules without relationship are restrictive.

Matthew 23:1-3a (NIV): ¹Then Jesus said to the crowds and to his disciples: ²“The teachers of the law and the Pharisees sit in Moses' seat. ³So you must be careful to do everything they tell you.

Matthew 23:3b (NIV): But do not do what they do, for they do not practice what they preach.

Matthew 23:23 (NIV): Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You give a tenth of your spices—mint, dill and cumin. But you have neglected the more important matters of the law—justice, mercy and faithfulness. You should have practiced the latter, without neglecting the former.

Matthew 23:25 (NIV): You clean the outside of the cup and dish, but inside they are full of greed and self-indulgence.

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Deuteronomy 7:7-8: ⁷ The Lord did not set his affection on you and choose you because you were more numerous than other peoples, for you were the fewest of all peoples. ⁸ But it was because the Lord loved you and kept the oath he swore to your ancestors that he brought you out with a mighty hand and redeemed you from the land of slavery, from the power of Pharaoh king of Egypt.