

# BRYANT CHURCH OF CHRIST

## TODAY'S LESSONS

"CHURCH OF CHRIST MEETING @ 9500 AR 5, ALEXANDER AR. 72002"

### TODAY'S LESSON

**"HOW TO LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR"**  
(LEVITICUS 19)  
by James Hamilton



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**v.1-2** And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, “Speak to all the congregation of the children of Israel, and say to them: ‘You shall be holy, for **I the LORD your God am holy.**’”

A command in the New Testament **1 Peter 1:16**

We are a reflection of God and His character

We must be holy in **all** our conduct **1 Peter 1:15**

Examples in **1 Peter 2:21-23; 4:1-4; 4:15-16**

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**v. 3-4** “Every one of you shall revere his mother and his father, and keep My Sabbaths: **I am the LORD your God.** Do not turn to idols, nor make for yourselves molded gods: **I am the LORD your God.**”

Respect for **all** authority is fundamental to serving God

Keeping the Sabbath as a memorial of God’s compassion **Deuteronomy 5:15**

Idolatry is against the nature of God **Acts 17:24-29**

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**v. 5-8** “And if you offer a **sacrifice** of a peace offering to the LORD, you shall offer it of your own free will. It shall be eaten the same day you offer it, and on the next day. And if any remains until the **third day**, it shall be burned in the fire. And if it is eaten at all on the **third day**, it is an abomination. It shall not be accepted. Therefore everyone who eats it shall bear his iniquity, because he has profaned the hallowed offering of the LORD; and that person shall be cut off from his people.”

A type of the resurrection of Christ **1 Cor. 15:4, Acts 2:27**

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**v. 9-10** “When you reap the harvest of your land, you shall not wholly reap the corners of your field, nor shall you gather the gleanings of your harvest. And you shall not glean your vineyard, nor shall you gather every grape of your vineyard; you shall leave them for the poor and the stranger: **I am the LORD your God.**”

God’s mercy displayed again by His people **Luke**  
**10:25-37**

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**v. 11-12** “You shall not steal, nor deal falsely, nor lie to one another. And you shall not swear by My name falsely, nor shall you profane the name of your God: **I am the LORD.**”

God is always true **Romans 3:4**

He is always faithful **Romans 3:3**

His word is truth **John 17:17**

He cannot lie **Titus 1:2**

So we cannot lie **Revelation 21:8**

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**v. 13-14** “You shall not cheat your neighbor, nor rob him. The wages of him who is hired shall not remain with you all night until morning. You shall not curse the deaf, nor put a stumbling block before the blind, but shall fear your God: **I am the LORD.**”

Do not cheat your neighbor

Do not withhold the payment to the day laborer

Do not make fun of the less blessed **Prov. 17:5**

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**v. 15-16** “You shall do no injustice in judgment. You shall not be partial to the poor, nor honor the person of the mighty. In righteousness you shall judge your neighbor. You shall not go about as a talebearer among your people; nor shall you take a stand against the life of your neighbor: **I am the LORD.**”

God is not a respecter of persons **Acts 10:34; James 2:1-13; John 7:24**

Don't be a gossip even if it is true **Prov. 11:13**

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**v. 17-18** “You shall not hate your brother **in your heart**. You shall surely rebuke your neighbor, and not bear sin because of him. You shall not take vengeance, nor bear any grudge against the children of your people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: **I am the LORD.**”

The N.T. parallel is **Ephesians 4:25-27**

To refuse to rebuke is to bear the sin **Matt. 18:15-20**

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**v. 29** “Do not prostitute your daughter to be a harlot, lest the land fall into harlotry and the land become full of wickedness.”

Prostitution is not a “victimless” crime! Neither are other “victimless” crimes (gambling, drug use and selling, etc.)

Sin destroys hearts, minds, and souls **Hosea 4:11**

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**v. 32** “You shall rise before the gray headed and honor the presence of an old man, and fear your God; **I am the LORD.**”

**The LORD is the Ancient of Days Daniel 7:9-14**

**Older people should be a source of wisdom**

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**v. 33-34** “And if a stranger dwells with you in your land, you shall not mistreat him. The stranger who dwells among you shall be to you as one born among you, and you shall love him as yourself; for you were strangers in the land of Egypt; **I am the LORD your God.**”

Treat a stranger as you would your naturally born Israelite neighbor (as yourself).

Be empathetic and think how you would want to be treated. God is watching and will treat you accordingly

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**v. 35-36** “You shall do no injustice in judgment, in measurement of length, weight, or volume. You shall have honest scales, honest weights, an honest ephah, and an honest hin; **I am the LORD your God**, who brought you out of the land of Egypt.”

Also **v.11-13,15**

**Such behavior** is an abomination to **the LORD Prov 11:1**

**Dishonest society is no society at all 2 Tim. 3:1-8**

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**v. 37** “Therefore you shall **observe all My statutes** and **all My judgments**, and **perform them**; **I am the LORD.**”

**God's word** is **the authority**

**We must DO what He commands**

**We must NOT DO what He forbids**

**We do not choose which commands to follow or not to follow**

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Be merciful

Tell the truth

Do not steal or lie

Do not take advantage of his weaker position

Be fair

Don't gossip

Do not hide resentment and hatred

Confront error and forgive **Ephesians 4:32**

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Do not cause others to sin

Respect those with experience, knowledge, wisdom

Treat strangers like family **Matt. 5:46-47**

Be empathetic **Romans 12:15**

God is the one who brought Israel out of slavery in Egypt

He also sent His Son to deliver us from slavery in sin

Obedient faith **Rom. 6:17-18** frees us **Rm 10:9; 2:4; 6:3-4**

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