



Theme Scripture

Climbing the Mountain: Reaching for Wholeness

A journey through the Sermon on the Mount

Matthew 5:33-6:4

To get ready for another great year at camp, you are invited to spend some time with our theme scripture, Matthew 5:33-6:4. For a **free camp prize**, you may choose to memorize a portion of the scripture (the same number of verses as your age), *or* you may choose to submit a video using these verses as the inspiration. See the next page for more information on how to participate.

Matthew 5:33-6:4(New International Version)

Oaths

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.^[a]

Eye for Eye

³⁸ "You have heard that it was said, 'Eye for eye, and tooth for tooth.'^[b] ³⁹ But I tell you, do not resist an evil person. If anyone slaps you on the right cheek, turn to them the other cheek also. ⁴⁰ And if anyone wants to sue you and take your shirt, hand over your coat as well. ⁴¹ If anyone forces you to go one mile, go with them two miles. ⁴² Give to the one who asks you, and do not turn away from the one who wants to borrow from you.

Love for Enemies

⁴³ "You have heard that it was said, 'Love your neighbor^[c] and hate your enemy.'⁴⁴ But I tell you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, ⁴⁵ that you may be children of your Father in heaven. He causes his sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous. ⁴⁶ If you love those who love you, what reward will you get? Are not even the tax collectors doing that? ⁴⁷ And if you greet only your own people, what are you doing more than others? Do not even pagans do that? ⁴⁸ Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

Giving to the Needy

⁶ "Be careful not to practice your righteousness in front of others to be seen by them. If you do, you will have no reward from your Father in heaven.

² "So when you give to the needy, do not announce it with trumpets, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and on the streets, to be honored by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward in full. ³ But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, ⁴ so that your giving may be in secret. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you.

Submission Form

Get ready for camp, spend time with the scripture, and earn your camp drawstring bag, all at the same time!
Please mail this form along with your payment/health forms or bring it along to check-in.

Scripture Memorization | Matthew 5:33-6:4

To receive a **free camp prize**, campers need to memorize the same number of verses as their age. They may choose to memorize any continuous portion of the scripture and may recite these to any non-family adult (ex. pastor, youth sponsor, teacher, neighbor).

Camper Name: _____ Camp: _____

Adult Signature: _____ Date: _____

Video Submission | Matthew 5:33-6:4

Create your 2-4 minute video.

Videos should be formatted as .MOV or .WMV unless posting to YouTube.

Submit your video.

Email a YouTube video link to program@laurelville.org or mail/bring a CD or DVD to Laurelville.

Claim your prize.

Receive your prize at registration.

Your video should be 2-4 minutes in length and include a reference to at least one portion of the theme scripture. Act it out, give it a modern twist, interpret it through dance or song, create a stop-motion animation—it's up to you! So grab a friend or two or ten and get started today.

Names | Please include the names of everyone that participated in the video and the camp they will attend.

Name of contact (person submitting the video) _____

Email _____ Phone _____

Title of video _____

How will you be submitting your video? Email Mail or bring a CD or DVD

Questions? Call 724-423-2056 or email program@laurelville.org.