

Q. What does God require in the sixth commandment?

A. I am not to dishonor, hate, injure, or kill my neighbor by thoughts, words, or gestures, and much less by deeds, whether personally or through another;[1] rather, I am to put away all desire of revenge.[2] Moreover, I am not to harm or recklessly endanger myself.[3] Therefore, also, the government bears the sword to prevent murder.[4]

[1] Gen\_9:6; Lev\_19:17-18; Mat\_5:21-22; Mat\_26:52. [2] Pro\_25:21-22; Mat\_18:35; Rom\_12:19; Eph\_4:26. [3] Mat\_4:7; Mat\_26:52; Rom\_13:11-14. [4] Gen\_9:6; Exo\_21:14; Rom\_13:4.

Q. But does this commandment speak only of killing?

A. By forbidding murder God teaches us that He hates the root of murder, such as envy, hatred, anger, and desire of revenge,[1] and that He regards all these as murder.[2]

[1] Pro\_14:30; Rom\_1:29; Rom\_12:19; Gal\_5:19-21; Jam\_1:20; 1Jo\_2:9-11. [2] 1Jo\_3:15.

Q. Is it enough, then, that we do not kill our neighbor in any such way?

A. No. When God condemns envy, hatred, and anger, He commands us to love our neighbor as ourselves,[1] to show patience, peace, gentleness, mercy, and friendliness toward him,[2] to protect him from harm as much as we can, and to do good even to our enemies.[3]

[1] Mat\_7:12; Mat\_22:39; Rom\_12:10. [2] Mat\_5:5; Luk\_6:36; Rom\_12:10; Rom\_12:18; Gal\_6:1-2; Eph\_4:2; Col\_3:12; 1Pe\_3:8. [3] Exo\_23:4-5; Mat\_5:44-45; Rom\_12:20.

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**If you took a name tag for the Pregnancy Care Center** Christmas gifts please drop the gift by the Church as soon as possible. Thanks!

**The Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting** will be postponed until further notice.

# Cottonwood Community Church

January 6, 2008

Sunday Devotion: 9:30 am  
Worship: 10:00 am

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Welcome

Opening Prayer

Old Testament Reading: Leviticus 2:13, Number 18:19

Hymn # 281 What A Friend

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Psalms 40:13-17

**(13) Be pleased, O Jehovah, to deliver me; O Jehovah, make haste to help me.**

(14) Let them be ashamed and humbled together, those who seek after my soul to destroy it; let them be driven backward and put to shame, those who wish me evil.

**(15) Let them be desolate as a reward for their shame, those who say to me, Aha, aha!**

(16) Let all those who seek You rejoice and be glad in You, and the ones loving your salvation always say, Let Jehovah be magnified.

**(17) But I *am* poor and needy; Jehovah will care for me; You *are* my help and my deliverer; O my God, do not wait.**

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Hymn #169 Standing on the Promises

Mystery Box Message

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

New Testament Reading: Luke 14:34-35

Worship In Song

Congregational Prayer / Lord's Prayer

Our Father Who art in heaven,  
hallowed be Thy name.

Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done  
on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who have sinned against us.

And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom and the power  
and the glory forever.

Amen.

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**Salty Salt, Bright Light  
Matthew 5:13-16**

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I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
the Creator of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord:

Who was conceived of the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hades.

The third day He arose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty,  
whence He shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and life everlasting.

Amen.

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Closing Prayer

Closing Hymn #42 God Be with You

Benediction: Numbers 6:24-26. The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace. Amen