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The Ten Commandments, The Laws Governing Man's Duty To Others (Part 6):

<u>Commandment Six</u> Concerns Man's Life—Never Murder, <u>Exodus 20:13</u>

The Sixth Commandment Sanctity of Human Life

"Lo Tirtzah" (<u>Exodus 20:13</u>) "Thou shalt not murder"

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Exodus 20:13 (BHS) ¹³ לָא הְרָצָח: ס "Lo Tirtzah" Exodus 20:13 (KJV) ¹³ "Thou shalt not <u>kill</u>." Exodus 20:13 (NASB) ¹³ "You shall not <u>murder</u>."

(Exodus 20:13) <u>Suicide— Murder— Ministry</u>: suicide is viewed differently by different people and societies.

There are three strong reasons why a person should never commit suicide.

- 1. God forbids murder, and suicide is the murdering of oneself.
- 2. The person destroys the very image of God that is stamped upon his or her life.

Genesis 1:27 (NASB)

²⁷ "God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them."

3. Jesus Christ, God's very own Son, loves and cares for us. He helps us *conquer* and *overcome* whatever problems confront us, no matter how terrible. He will give us wisdom and show us how to *conquer* the problem.

Hebrews 2:18 (NASB)

¹⁸ "For since He Himself was tempted in that which He has suffered, He is able to come to the aid of those who are tempted."

Hebrews 4:15-16 (NASB)

¹⁵ "For we do not have a high priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but One who has been tempted in all

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things as we are, yet without sin.

¹⁶ Therefore let us draw near with confidence to the throne of grace, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need."

1 Corinthians 10:13 (NASB)

¹³ "No temptation has overtaken you but such as is common to man; and God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will provide the way of escape also, so that you will be able to endure it." James 1:5 (NASB)

⁵ "But if any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all generously and without reproach, and it will be given to him."

Now, having said the above, what should our attitude (and the church's attitude) be toward suicidal people and their families? To the genuine Christian believer, the answer is obvious: we are to minister to them. We are to seek out and help all who hurt and face desperate problems and circumstances. Note what has just been said: we are not to sit around waiting for hurting people to cross our paths.

We are to actively seek out, find, and help hurting people. This is the call of every Christian believer and the mission of the church. Christ made this perfectly clear.

Matthew 20:28 (NASB)

²⁸ just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many."

Luke 4:18 (NASB)

¹⁸ "THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD IS UPON ME, BECAUSE HE ANOINTED ME TO PREACH THE GOSPEL TO THE POOR. HE HAS SENT ME TO PROCLAIM RELEASE TO THE CAPTIVES, AND RECOVERY OF SIGHT TO THE BLIND, TO SET FREE THOSE WHO ARE OPPRESSED."

Philippians 2:5-7 (NASB)

⁵ "Have this attitude in yourselves which was also in Christ Jesus,
⁶ who, although He existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God a thing to be grasped,

⁷ but emptied Himself, taking the form of a bond-servant, *and* being made in the likeness of men."

Luke 19:10 (NASB)

¹⁰ "For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost."

John 20:21 (NASB)

²¹ "So Jesus said to them again, "Peace *be* with you; as the Father has sent Me, I also send you."

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DEEPER STUDY #3

(<u>Matthew 5:17-48</u>) <u>Law— Jesus, Fulfills Law</u>: this Scripture is of critical importance. It is God's Son explaining the law of God.

1. Christ confirmed God's law, all the Scripture of the Old Testament. Christ said He was not destroying *the law or the prophets*. The term "**the law and the prophets**" was a reference to the whole Old Testament. What Christ said was that He, as God's Son, came to fulfill the law; and His teaching was just as binding as the Old Testament law. (See <u>Matthew 5:17-18</u>.)

Matthew 5:17-18 (NASB)

¹⁷ "Do not think that I came to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I did not come to abolish but to fulfill.

¹⁸ For truly I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not the smallest letter or stroke shall pass from the Law until all is accomplished."

2. Christ illustrated God's laws, explaining the broad principles which were and still are to be applied to everyday life. He took a few practical laws and showed how a person was to take the broad principle and apply it to his own daily behavior.

3. Christ condemned the oral or Scribal Law (**condemned it rather strongly.**) When Jesus Christ and the other New Testament writers condemned the law, **it always referred to the oral or Scribal Law, not to God's Law** (see <u>Matthew 5:17-18</u>).

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