TITLE: Kingdom Precepts

TEXT: Matthew 5:17-20

TARGET: The tension between the “Law of God” and the “Grace of God” is never solved with an either/or mindset, but rather by both and through lifestyle.

I. Corrects a _______________ (Vs. 17): “Do not think that”
   A. His Motive: “I have not come to abolish them (the Law OR the Prophets)”
   B. His Mission: “but to fulfill them.”

II. Clarifies the _______________ (Vs. 18): “For truly, I say to you”
   A. Affirms the Law: “until heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the Law”
   B. Accomplishes the Law: “until all is accomplished.”
      1. The Law demanded Perfection
      2. The Lord delivered Perfection

III. Challenges the _______________ (Vs. 19): “Therefore”
   A. Statement of Examination: “whoever relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven”
   B. Sets the Expectation: “but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven.”

IV. Confronts the _______________ (Vs. 20): “For I tell you”
   A. Earned Righteousness: “unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees”
   B. Imputed Righteousness: “you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.”

TAKE AWAY: PRAY THAT GOD GIVES YOU GRACE TO TREASURE GOD’S WORD*
AİM TO KNOW GOD’S WORD* DESIRE TO OBEY GOD’S WORD