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17 Do not think that I came to abolish the Law of 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. 19 Whoever then annuls one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever keeps and teaches them, he shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.

20 For I say to you that unless your righteousness surpasses that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will not enter the kingdom of heaven.

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start reading. read together the main scripture for this study

reading #1

In reading these verses of scripture, what would you circle, highlight, or underline as important to know or understand? Is there anything you noticed for the first time?

What is one word or phrase the Holy Spirit impresses upon you? Meditate on that.

start thinking. ask a thoughtful question

What does it mean to live by commandments?

Read 1 Tim. 6:11-16 and 2 Peter 3:1-2

How do Christians balance Jesus being "the end of the law" and us becoming "lawless" with overbearing ourselves with a rules and a works based righteousness?

"Grace is not opposed to effort, it is opposed to earning. Earning is an attitude. Effort is an action. Grace, you know, does not just have to do with forgiveness of sins alone." ~ Dallas Willard, the great omission

start sharing. engage it with your story

What specific situation in your life relates? Write down or pray.

What did the Holy Spirit speak to you personally about during the sermon? Was there anything that caught your attention, challenged you, or confused you?

What does it mean for you to put "effort" into following Jesus?

When was the last time you intentionally thought about a biblical command and adjusted an action or decision according to the command?

start practicing. commit to a next step and live it out this week

What is Jesus' personal invitation to you from the scripture? You can write down what God may be saying to you or a prayer of thanks.

Is there a specific command from the Scriptures that the Holy Spirit has prompted you to listen to?

start praying. be bold and pray with power

prayer requests: