

TO HELP US STUDY

1. What is divorce? _____ What is adultery? _____
2. What would cause a woman to be an adulteress? _____
3. What is an oath? _____
4. How can we let our “Yes” be “Yes” and our “No” be “No?” _____
5. If we go beyond this, who is also involved? _____
6. What does “an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth” mean? _____
7. What difference is there between “an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth” and “turn the other cheek?” _____
8. How should we treat our enemies? _____
What should we do for them? _____
9. How does God treat his enemies? _____
10. Why is it not good enough to love just those who love you or to be good to just those who are good to you? _____
11. How can we be perfect? (v. 48) _____

TO HELP US REMEMBER: Young Ones—Matt. 5:37
Older Ones—Matt. 5:38-42

TO CHALLENGE TEEN THOUGHT

Loving those who love us is easy. Make a list of those who dislike you and what good thing you can do for each of them to fulfill Jesus’ teaching.

TIPS FOR TEACHING PARENTS

Teaching divorce and adultery is probably only appropriate for older children. For small ones, focus on God’s plan for families: one Mom and one Dad, together forever. Explain that this plan makes for strong, happy families. Lying and truth-telling, however, are things almost all small children can understand. One of the things that children can understand about God at an early age is that he knows their thoughts, and he knows if they are telling the truth or not, even if mommy and daddy don’t know.

FOR ADULT STUDY: Matthew 19:3-7; Mark 10: 2-7; 1 Corinthians 7:10; Acts 15:29; James 5:12; Revelation 4: 2; Colossians 4:6; Romans 12:17-20; Luke 3:11.