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Topic: Sermon of the Mount - The Eternal Word (Part 2)

Scripture Text: Matthew 5: 17-20

- 1. If we are truly born again, the first thing that will change is our relationship to God's Word. We will have a hunger and thirst for the Word of God. This is a clear evidence that we are alive spiritually.
- 2. The Bible tells us in verse 17 that the Word of God is all about Jesus Christ. He has fulfilled everything in the Old Testament. Jesus Christ is the living Word. We cannot put away the Written Word from the Living Word. To know Jesus Christ is only through the Written Word of God.
- 3. In verse 18, it tells us the Word of God is perfect. God's Word will never die nor be lost. God has inspired His Word and will preserve it through all generations. Hence, we must have the highest regard for the Word of God.
- 4. In verses 19 &20, it is all about Obedience. The Scribes are copiers of the Bible with head knowledge. The Pharisees follow all the externals of religion to the last degree. People think they are the first to go to Heaven with their righteousness. However, Jesus said that we need His righteousness then can we be assured of our Home in Heaven. Man can never by our good works earn a place in Heaven.
- 5. When we truly believe in Jesus Christ, we will obey Him from our hearts and follow His way.