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Read and Thank About It

“You’re familiar with the command to the ancients, ‘Do not murder.’ I’m telling you that anyone who is so much as angry with a brother or sister is guilty of murder. Carelessly call a brother ‘idiot!’ and you just might find yourself hauled into court. Thoughtlessly yell ‘stupid!’ at a sister and you are on the brink of hellfire. The simple moral fact is that words kill.

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Discuss

- o What kinds of things might cause you to be upset with someone ... to want to really tell them how stupid they are acting?
- o What happened when someone got angry like that with you? What did they say to you?
- o Why do you think Jesus equated even just these *attitudes* with murder?

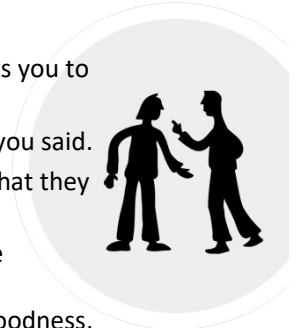


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Pray

- o Pray that God will show you what He wants you to do
- o To ask someone’s forgiveness for what you said.
- o To be willing to forgive someone for what they said to you
- o Pray that God will display through your life the Fruit of the Spirit
 - o Love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, gentleness, faithfulness, and self control



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