

*Life in the Kingdom #6*

# Who Am I?



*Matthew 5:33-48*

**Matthew 5:33** "Again, you have heard that the ancients were told, 'YOU SHALL NOT MAKE FALSE VOWS, BUT SHALL FULFILL YOUR VOWS TO THE LORD.' 34" But I say to you, make no oath at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne of God, 35 or by the earth, for it is the footstool of His feet, or by Jerusalem, for it is THE CITY OF THE GREAT KING. 36 "Nor shall you make an oath by your head, for you cannot make one hair white or black. 37 "But let your statement be, 'Yes, yes ' or 'No, no ' ; anything beyond these is of evil.

A landscape photograph with a warm, golden-orange sky at sunset or sunrise. In the foreground, a dark, textured field leads to a path that recedes into the distance. A small, silhouetted figure of a person stands on the path near the horizon. In the background, there are rolling hills and mountains under a sky filled with soft, wispy clouds. Several birds are seen flying in the upper left portion of the sky.

# Integrity

*Character for the Kingdom*

“You shall not swear by my  
name falsely, and so  
profane the name of your  
God: I am the Lord.”

- Leviticus 19:12

*Integrity*

# Mercy

*Character for the Kingdom*

“You ought to treat your whole body like a poor loaded-down donkey, as long as possible, as long as it is allowed; and if it be commandeered and a soldier lay hold of it, let it go, do not resist nor grumble. If you do, you will get a beating and lose your little donkey just the same.”

- Epictetus,  
Greek Philosopher

**Never take your own revenge, beloved, but leave room for the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay," says the Lord. "But if your enemy is hungry, feed him, and if he is thirsty, give him a drink; for in so doing you will heap burning coals on his head."**

**- Romans 12:19-20**

**1 Every person is to be in subjection to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those which exist are established by God. 2 Therefore whoever resists authority has opposed the ordinance of God; and they who have opposed will receive condemnation upon themselves...4 for it is a minister of God to you for good. But if you do what is evil, be afraid; for it does not bear the sword for nothing; for it is a minister of God, an avenger who brings wrath on the one who practices evil.**

**- Romans 13:1-4**



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# Mercy

*Character for the Kingdom*

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*Integrity*  
*Mercy*

# Love

*Character for the Kingdom*

“You shall not take  
vengeance, nor bear any  
grudge against the children of  
your people; you shall love  
your neighbor as yourself;  
I am Jehovah.”

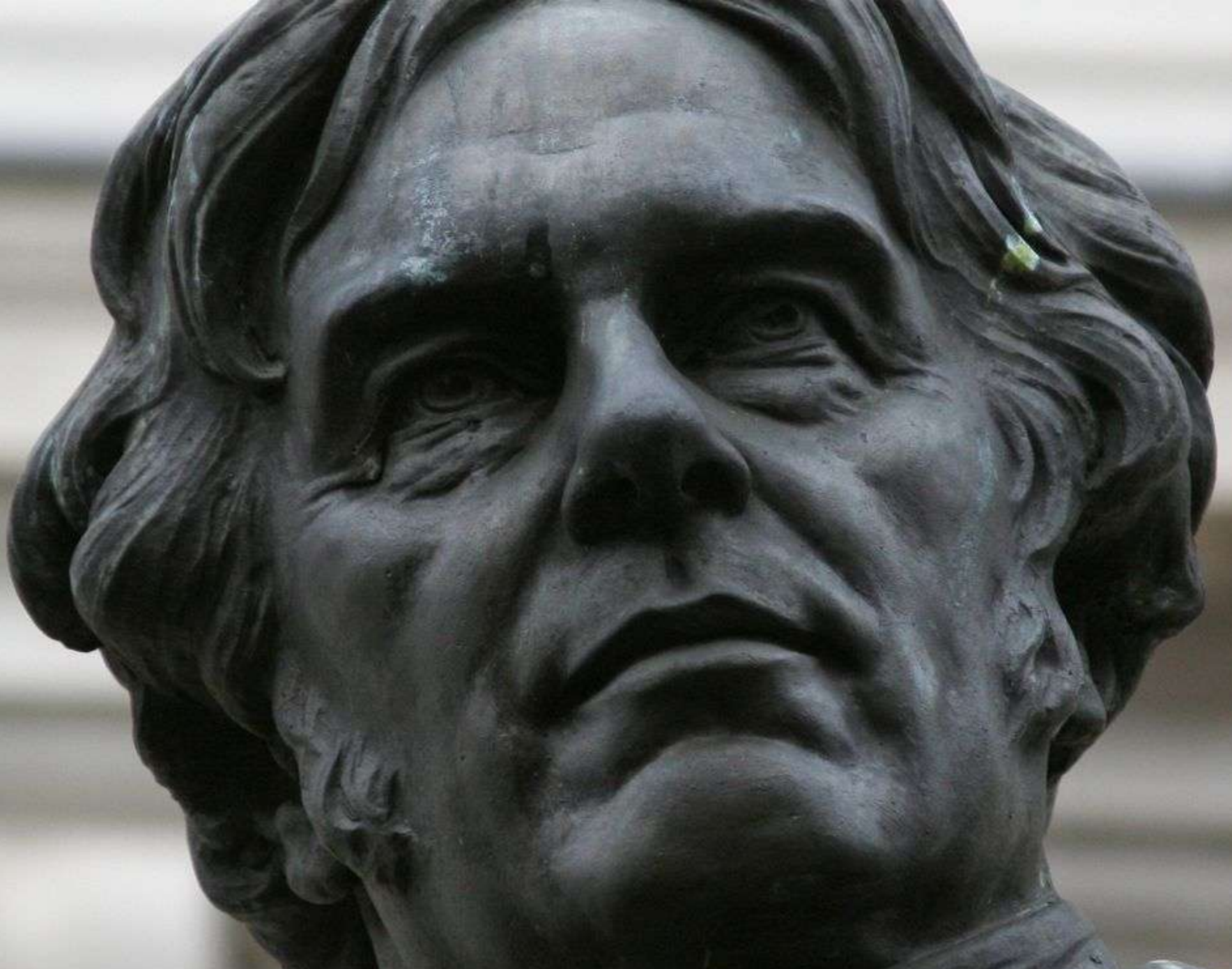
- Leviticus 19:18

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**"I am the way, and the truth,  
and the life; no one comes to  
the Father but through Me."**



**"I am the way, and the truth,  
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**"Put your sword back in its  
place..."**





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**"Father, forgive them, for  
they do not know what they  
are doing."**



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