

Raising the Bar
Matt 5:17-20, 48 (NIV)
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Matthew 5:48 (NIV) “Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect.”

We are in the third month of 2017. This is our year of “Great Expectations”. So where are you now? Have you moved toward your purpose? Are you walking toward your destiny or are you still in the same place? God expects us to live to a higher standard. What are your standards?

Matt 5:17-20 – We are expected to rise above the Pharisees and teachers of the Law.

We are to live a different life than the world - Romans 12:1, 2 (NIV)

1. If you angry with your brother or sister, Jesus says it is like Murder – Matt 5:21-24 (NIV)
2. Resolve matters quickly with enemies – Matt 5:25-26 (NIV)
3. It better to lose a limb than go to hell – Matt 5:27-30 (NIV)
4. Follow God’s reasons for divorce – Matt 5:31-32
5. Keep your word – Matt 5:33-37 (NIV, LB)
6. We are commanded to live a higher standard than the world. The Eye for Eye days are over – Matt 5:38-40 (NIV)
7. Are you willing to lose everything for the kingdom? Matt 5:40 (NIV)
8. Go the extra mile – Matt 5:41-42 (NIV)
9. Can you Love to perfection? Matt 5:43-48 (NIV)