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# MATTHEW

## JESUS: KING OF THE JEWS

**Swearing Oaths;**

**Slapping Cheeks**

**Matthew 5:33–39**

**Matt. 5:33, “Again you have heard that it was said to those of old, ‘You shall not swear falsely, but shall perform your oaths to the Lord.’ ”**

**Lev. 19:12, “And you shall not swear by My name falsely, nor shall you profane the name of your God: I am the LORD.”**

**Num. 30:2, “If a man makes a vow to the LORD, or swears an oath to bind himself by some agreement, he shall not break his word; he shall do according to all that proceeds out of his mouth.”**

**Deut. 5:11, “You shall not take the name  
of the LORD your God in vain, for the  
LORD will not hold him guiltless who  
takes His name in vain.”**

**Deut. 23:21, “When you make a vow to the LORD your God, you shall not delay to pay it; for the LORD your God will surely require it of you, and it would be sin to you.**

**Deut. 23:22, “But if you abstain from voweding, it shall not be sin to you.**

**Deut. 23:23, “That which has gone from your lips you shall keep and perform, for you voluntarily vowed to the LORD your God what you have promised with your mouth.”**

**Prov. 20:25, “It is a snare for a man to devote rashly something as holy, and afterward to reconsider his vows.”**

**Eccl. 5:4, “When you make a vow to God, do not delay to pay it; For He has no pleasure in fools. Pay what you have vowed—**

**Eccl. 5:5, “Better not to vow than to vow and not pay.”**

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**ἐπιορκέω   *epiorkeō***

**fut act indic 2 sing**

**“to swear falsely, break an oath; or commit perjury”**

**Matt. 5:34, “But I say to you, do not swear at all: neither by heaven, for it is God’s throne;**

**Matt. 5:35, “nor by the earth, for it is His footstool; nor by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King.**

**Matt. 5:36, “Nor shall you swear by your head, because you cannot make one hair white or black.”**

**Deut. 6:13, “You shall fear the LORD your God and serve Him, and shall take oaths in His name.”**

**Deut. 10:20, “You shall fear the LORD your God; you shall serve Him, and to Him you shall hold fast, and take oaths in His name.”**

**Matt. 5:37, “But let your ‘Yes’ be ‘Yes,’  
and your ‘No,’ ‘No.’ For whatever is more  
than these is from the evil one.”**

**James 5:12, “But above all, my brethren, do not swear, either by heaven or by earth or with any other oath. But let your ‘Yes’ be ‘Yes,’ and your ‘No,’ ‘No,’ lest you fall into judgment.”**

**Matt. 5:38, “You have heard that it was said, ‘An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth.’ ”**

**Ex. 21:23, “But if any harm follows, then you shall give life for life,**

**Ex. 21:24, “eye for eye, tooth for tooth,  
hand for hand, foot for foot,**

**Ex. 21:25, “burn for burn, wound for  
wound, stripe for stripe.”**

**Lev. 24:19, “If a man causes disfigurement of his neighbor, as he has done, so shall it be done to him—**

**Lev. 24:20, “fracture for fracture, eye for eye, tooth for tooth; as he has caused disfigurement of a man, so shall it be done to him.**

**Lev. 24:21, “And whoever kills an animal shall restore it; but whoever kills a man shall be put to death.”**

**Deut. 19:21, “Your eye shall not pity: life shall be for life, eye for eye, tooth for tooth, hand for hand, foot for foot.”**

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πονηρός *ponēros*  
dat masc sing  
“wicked, evil”

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ῥαπίζω *hrapizō*

pres act indic 3 sing  
to strike, to slap