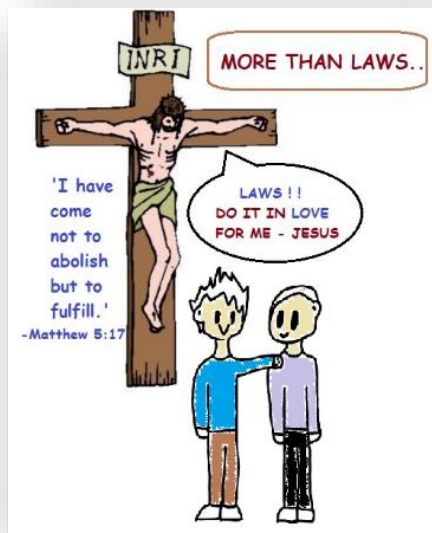


# MORE THAN LAWS... THROUGH 'LOVE'

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## VERSES OF THE WEEK

***“I tell you, unless your righteousness surpasses that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will not enter the kingdom of heaven”***

– **Matthew 5:20**

### Gospel: Matthew 5:17-24

In today's gospel Jesus says that he came not to abolish but to fulfill the law. The laws were given to the people of God in order to live according to the purpose of our creation: pleasing our heavenly father, the creator. Jesus makes us understand that fulfilling the law does not merely mean to finish off what it says just as the Pharisees did but to go beyond what it says out of love. Jesus showed us by living it and giving himself for saving us in the cross. He was able to do all this out of love that the heavenly father had to his children.

Jesus also says that whoever obeys and teaches these commandments will be called greatest in the kingdom of heaven but whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do so will be called least in the kingdom of heaven. Thus, he shows us how important are the laws given to us by the father in heaven who created the whole universe. He gave us laws so that we are able to live as we should, as children of God. He knows what is best for us, more than we know ourselves because he is our creator.

By dying for us while we were sinners, Jesus showed the father's love for us all. He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of the father and is interceding for us. He gave us his holy spirit to strengthen us to fulfill the law through faith in him. The holy spirit pours the love of God into us. This power will help us, if we desire, by saying Yes to Jesus, to go more than laws and to surpass our righteous deeds more than the Pharisees' law-keeping, thus enter the kingdom of God.

If law says not to kill...love says not even get angry...And even not call your brother 'fool'. The Law asks us to offer to the Lord, Jesus's love tells us to first forgive the one who sinned against you and reconcile to them and then come to offer in altar.

Laws are replaced by what Jesus tells us to do and to do out of love and thus to fulfill the law in perfection by the same power with which Jesus was able to- the power of love and grace through the holy spirit from the father in heaven who loved us and forgave us first.

Let us pray to the Lord to fill us with his grace and love by the holy spirit he gave us to love one another as God loved us. Go more than the laws...by the power of love.

'I CAME TO FULFILL THE LAW' -Matthew 5:18

\*  fulfills the LAW.

\* Jesus gave us  to help us to live as he lived.

\* LAW  - GREATEST in the kingdom of heaven

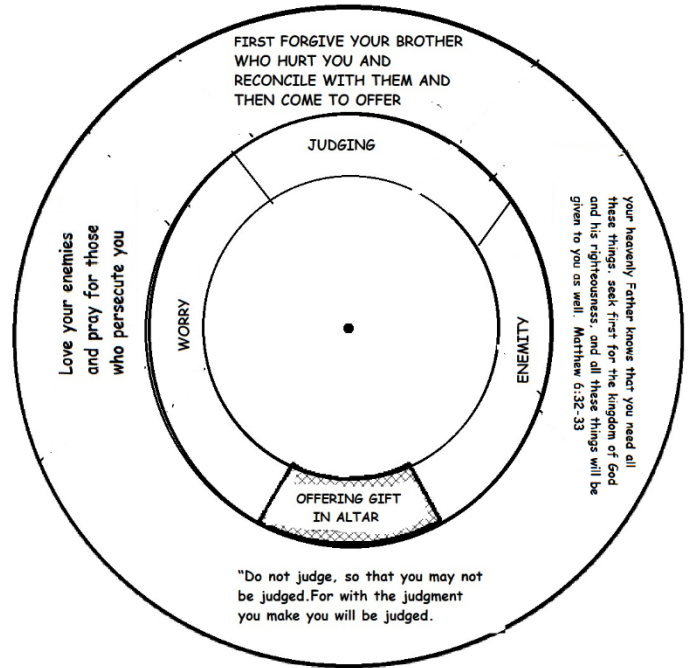
\* LAW  - LEAST in the kingdom of heaven.

Find the answers from the pictures clues given.

Make a spin wheel using the templates given below. Follow the instructions given to make the spin-wheel.



TEMPLATE 1



TEMPLATE 2

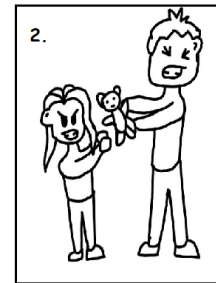
**INSTRUCTIONS**

- \*Pierce a hole in the dot at the centre.
- \*Cut in marked places as shown on template 1.
- \*Stick the template 2 on a cardboard and shape the cardboard according to the template 2
- \*Place the template 1 on template 2, aligning the centre hole.
- \*Insert a tooth pick through the centre hole aligned.
- \*Finally insert a bead or cardboard beads on top and bottom of the tooth pick so as to hold the templates in place

You did it!! You did follow the steps and it is a success. Just as Jesus said obey the words of the lord to live in success.  
*"Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord!"*  
 - Psalms 119:1

You can use the spinner to know what JESUS TELL US to do when we angry or when we are worried etc. To know more, seek help of parents to read from Matthew 5,6 & 7

**YOU RIGHTEOUSNESS MUST SURPASS LAWS**



OBSERVE THE ABOVE TWO PICTURES. IMAGINE, WHAT IF YOUR ARE ONE AMONG THEM? WHAT WILL YOU DO AS JESUS TELLS? REFLECT AND RE-DRAW

1.

2.

