

A. ANGER (:21-26)

- a. :21-22 - Selfish “me”-centered anger
- b. :23-24 - Before the altar, remember... cf. driving to Xroads story
- c. Restraining your anger earns no points. The heart Jesus gives isn't angered selfishly

B. MARRIAGE (:27-32)

1. Adultery = Married Person Has Sex W/someone Other Than Spouse
2. Remarriage (≠ Continuous Adultery) = Less Than God's Best
3. :29-30 = Hyperbole : Remove Those Things That Appeal To Your Weaknesses
 - a. cf. Joseph & Potiphar's wife: Run!
4. (:31-32) Like Murder & Adultery, Divorce Is Also A Matter Of The Heart ([Matthew 19:8-10](#))
 - a. “Put away” for any & every reason / “certificate” made it harder & protected the woman
 - b. *Porneia* (re. pornography) = any sexual sin (re. non-virgin bride)
 - c. Woman in parking lot: “do I have to divorce & marry ex?”
 - d. Shows just how far we've come from what God intended marriage to be

C. CHARACTER (:33-37)

1. Locks Only Keep Out The Honest People
 - a. When there are no thieves we won't need locks
 - b. When everyone is honest we won't need contracts
2. Your Word Should Be Enough

E. REVENGE (:38-42)

1. This Is A Powerful Principal
 - a. cf. Gandhi / MLK - you control the situation when you don't fight back

F. LOVE (:43-47)

1. Love Is The Greatest Weapon
 - a. :48 - Be perfect? never angry (murder), never have a lustful thought (adultery), turn the other cheek, love those who persecute me? • That's impossible - I can't do that! Jesus says; “good, that's right where I want you”