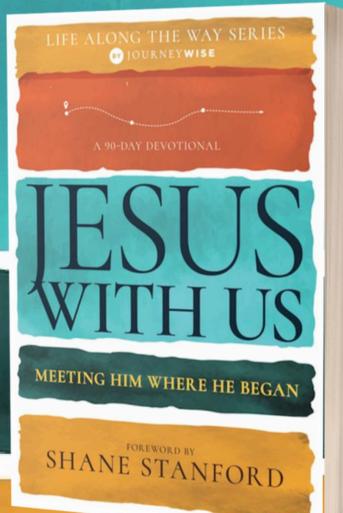
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JESUS WITH US

Week 11, Day 77

Oaths/Vows

Read: *Matthew 5:33-37*

Jesus continues his discourse about Kingdom life by correcting a misappropriation of Old Testament Law. The religious leaders bent the Old Testament Law to their benefit and the people of Israel followed. Instead of a Kingdom expectation that your "yes be yes and your no be no" there was a self-serving priority where your "yes" could very easily be "no." Jesus marks out God's intent for Kingdom people that they live lives of truthfulness and integrity.

The Kingdom Life: "You have heard it said..." "but I tell you..."

STOP & DISCUSS

We live in a "trust but verify" culture. What are some practical ways that we have to prove what we say is true because in general people do not trust that we mean what we say in our world.

What are some common ways that we get out of promises we have made or commitments that we agree to?

The statement, "I promise" is a modern-day way that we make oaths. We use the words to back up our agreed upon action or to add weight to what we say. What are some modern-day ways that we make oaths?

Next Week's Readings: Days 78 - 84