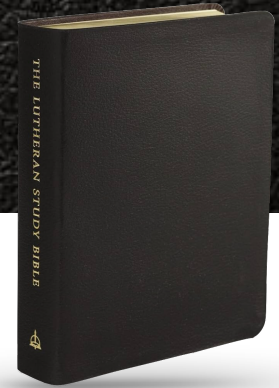


# "DO NOT MURDER."



## 5TH COMMANDMENT - EXODUS 20:13

**Prayer:** "Dear Jesus, Thank You for the Commandments. Please help us recognize when we don't keep them and forgive us for our shortcomings. Teach us the true meaning of "Do not murder." In Your Name, Amen."

**Teaching:** [Fifth Commanment](#)



**Scripture:** [Exodus 20:13](#); [Matthew 5:21-26](#); [Matthew 25:42-43](#) †

**Catechism:** The Fifth Commandment (p.85); Questions 59-64 (pgs.85-92)

### Questions:

† Jesus emphasized this Commandment by clarifying that being angry at someone violates it. Why do you think Jesus would say this?

† Discuss some of the underlying causes of murder and anger. How do these causes relate to the rest of the Commandments?

† God forbids murder; how do abortion and euthanasia relate to this commandment? Read the questions, answers, and Scriptures in the Small Catechism (Q.62-64) for a Christian, God-honoring response to abortion and euthanasia.

† Can you identify ways you might break this commandment without taking someone's physical life?

**Prayer:** Dear God, Please help me to live according to Your will. I ask for Your guidance to love others in everything I say and do. In Jesus' Name, Amen.