

Ex. 22:1-15

Restitution and Restoration

The Eighth Word, Part Three

Sermon Notes for July 17, 2011 by Pastor Dennis R. Tuuri

Intro The Coming of Jesus, the Regeneration and Restoration of All Things - Matt. 19:28; Acts 3:21

Desiring the Kingdom: Worship, Worldview, and Cultural Formation (Cultural Liturgies) by James K. A. Smith - Homo Sapien, Homo Adorans and Homo Liturgicus - Liturgical Reforming of Our Animality
"Monotonous repetition is the mother of mastery." ~ Tony Robbins

Restitution, Restoration and Liturgy

Where We're Going:

July 10 - Mal. 3:8-12 Robbing God

July 17 - Ex. 22:1-17 The 8th Word and Restitution

July 24 - Jer. 7:5-7 The 8th Word and Social Justice

July 31 - Dt. 21:15-22:7 Stealing Freedom

August 7 - Lev. 19:11-12. I Fell Into A Burning Ring of Fire

I. Shalom and Shalam

II. An Overview of the Text (See Attached)

III. Implications of the Text

A. The Intrusion of God Upon the "Free Market" (No Unmediated Relationships)

B. The Community Blessings of Borrowing and Renting

1. In the Exercise of Dominion – Efficiencies, Yet Private Ownership Is Preserved
2. In the Development of Character (Service); Responsibility; The Removal of Suspicion – Phil. 2:1-8

C. Restitution, Atonement and Forgiveness

D. We Can Barely See the Shore

IV. The Big Picture, the Reversal of the Curse - 2 Ki. 4:1-7 & 6:1-7; and the Center of the Book of Kings

I. War with Moab, 3:1-27

J. Elisha provides for indebted widow, 4:1-7

K. Elisha raises Shunammite's son, 4:8-37

L. Elisha heals the poison stew, 4:38-41

L¹. Elisha feeds 100 men, 4:42-44

K¹. Elisha heals Naaman the leper, 5:1-27

J¹. Elisha recovers a borrowed axe head, 6:1-7

I¹. War with Syria, 6:8-7:20

Conclusion - Shalom, Shalam, Salem and Zaccheus - How Shall We Then Live?

Overview of Exodus 22:1-15

- I. Seven Cases of Unauthorized Use of Another's Property
 - A. Five Cases Involving Violation of Property (vv. 1-4)
 - 1. Three Cases Concerning Theft and Restitution - v. 1, 3b, 4
 - a. Multiple Restitution for Theft of Ox or Sheep , Sold or Slaughtered - v. 1
 - b. Slavery for the Impoverished Thief - v. 3b; Matt. 5:26; 18:23
 - c. 2x Restitution for Theft of Ox, Donkey or Sheep, In Thief's Possession -v. 4
 - Degrees of Restitution in the Bible

120% Self-confessed Thief (Lev. 5:14-16; 6:1-5; 22:14; Num. 5:5-8)
200% Theft of Inanimate Objects, Animate Objects in His Possession (Ex. 22:4, 7)
400% Theft of Sheep, Not In His Hand (Ex. 22:1)
500% - Theft of Oxen, Not In His Hand (Ex. 22:1)
700% - Theft of Food (Prov. 6:30,31)
 - 2. Two Cases Concerning the Act of Unlawful Entering (3a, 4b)
 - a. Self-defense From Thief at Night May Include the Thief's Death - v. 2
 - b. Defense From Thief With "Sun Risen" May NOT Include Thief's Death
 - J.B. Jordan - Sun-rising of Identification (Gen. 1:5) and Clarity;
Sun-rising of Strength (Judges 5:31; Gen. 32:31; Ps. 19:4-6)
- B. Two Cases of Pollution (Inadvertent Damage to Property) - vv. 5-6
 - 1. Damage From Unrestrained ("lets loose," not "drive") Animals (Dt. 23:24,25)
Simple Restitution From Steward of Animal
 - 2. Damage From Unrestrained Fire
Fire to Thorns to Harvested Grain, Mature Grain, or Immature Grain
Simple Restitution From Steward of Fire
- I.
- II. Eight Case of Problems Stemming from the Authorized Use of Property (vv. 7-15)
 - A. Five Cases of Bailment or Safe-keeping vv. 7-13
 - 1. Two Cases of Safe-kept inanimate objects – v. 7-9
 - a. Stolen, thief caught – double restitution – v.7
 - b. Stolen, no thief caught – inquiry, 0-2X restitution – v. 8-9
 - 2. Three Cases of Safe-kept Animate Objects – v. 10-13
 - a. Damaged or lost, not stolen – no restitution from steward – v. 10,11
 - b. Stolen, thief caught in act – owner restituted, steward rewarded – v. 12
 - c. If killed by beast, evidence (if available) required – v. 13; Gen. 31:39
 - B. Three Cases of Borrowing or Rented Property vv. 14-15
 - 1. Owner not Present – 1x Restitution v. 14
 - 2. Owner Present – No Restitution – v. 15a
 - 3. Hired animate and inanimate objects damaged – no restitution – v. 15b