

"Stewardship: All Lives Matter" **Micah 6:6-8**
Sermon Notes ◇ January 18, 2015

Introduction: **Social** _____

The Preliminary Assumption: A Desire to _____ God

The Condition of the _____

"To obey is better than sacrifice...." - 1 Samuel 15:22

"(You even go so far as to give a tithe on the herbs of your gardens -- mint, dill, and cumin.) But you have neglected the more important matters of the law -- justice, mercy and faithfulness. You should have practiced the latter, without neglecting the former." - Matthew 23:23

"And without faith it is impossible to please God."
- Hebrews 11:6

"Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ...."
- Romans 5:1

Three Requirements

1. To Do _____

Q: What are the duties required by the Sixth Commandment? ("Thou shalt not kill.")

A: The duties required in the sixth commandment are, all careful studies, and lawful endeavors, to preserve the life of ourselves and others by resisting all thoughts and purposes, subduing all passions, and avoiding all occasions, temptations, and practices, which tend to the unjust taking away the life of any; ... and protecting and defending the innocent.

- Westminster Larger Catechism Q. 135

"Two thousand years of Jewish-Christian history maintain that the fetus is a person with the right to life. We know very well that what has happened in conception is the emergence of a new being and all it needs is time."

- Prof. George H. Williams, Harvard University

2. To Love _____

3. To Walk _____ with God

"Thou shalt not kill. ... Vengeance is mine, I will repay."
-Exodus 20:13; Deuteronomy 32:35; Hebrews 10:30