

IT'S CALLED MURDER

What does murder mean? Liz is sure that he's never murdered anyone, but he needs some help figuring out the sixth commandment on this episode of Kids Corner.

Let's Get Started

Episode Theme: 6th Commandment. What does murder mean?

- 1. The Ten Commandments, which are listed in Exodus 20, are divided into two parts. The first part, commandments 1-4, tells us how to relate to God. The second part, commandments 5-10, tells us how to relate to others. When Jesus was asked which commandment was the greatest, he answered that we should love God and love our neighbors (Matthew 22:36-39). Jesus' answer reflects that same division of the Ten Commandments. Which do you think is easier: loving God, or loving your neighbor?
- 2. In <u>Matthew 5:21-24</u>, Jesus challenged his listeners to think differently about the command "Do not commit murder." . He included being angry, calling people names, and refusing to forgive in the sin of "murder." As you listen to this episode, think about how your words and attitude could "murder" another person.

Memory Verse

¹³ Do not murder.

Exodus 20:13

After You Listen

In this episode, Liz and his friends explore different ways that people can be "murderers."

When you look at the Ten Commandments, it seems like it would be easy to obey #6, "do not murder". But is it? Can you pick out murderers? Test yourself with this quiz.

Murder: Yes or No? You be the judge!

- 1. Cain killing his brother Abel out of jealousy and anger (Genesis 4).
- 2. You and your friends gossiping about a classmate.
- 3. King David sending a soldier to the front lines to be killed because David likes the man's wife (2 Samuel 11).
- 4. Someone who's been treated badly getting revenge on a bully.
- 5. Saul holding coats for other men as they stone Stephen to death for talking about Jesus (Acts 7).
- 6. Someone in your class feeling happy when someone else gets laughed at.

How did you do? Which of these scenarios involved murder? The answer is...all of them! Why? The Bible says murder isn't just the physical killing of another human being; it's more than that. Every time we hate someone, use mean words about someone, even think nasty thoughts about someone, we're guilty of murder and have broken the 6th Commandment.

Want to dig deeper and learn more about how thoughts and actions can murder? Check out <u>James 3:5-12</u>, <u>1 John 3:15</u>, and <u>1 John 2:9-11</u>.

Challenge

Have you ever witnessed a murder? How many times have you seen someone killed on TV, in movies, or in video games? In this episode, Granny Gekko reminds us that we have become callous to the loss of human life.

The next time you watch a violent TV show, movie, or video game, write down how many people are killed and how. Look at your list. How does it affect you to see that many people killed? Does it remind you that God alone is in control of human life, or does it make it seem like other people have the power? Your viewing habits should reflect your belief that God sees all life as valuable.

Take the Episode Quiz

Question 1: Whose murder do Liz and Lucille investigate?

Answer: Abel's

Question 2: How did Morrie help Granny in her garden?

Answer: Morrie helped Granny apply bug poison for the bugs that were harming her garden.

Question 3: What were Skink and his friends doing to the ants on the sidewalk?

Answer: They were using a magnifying glass to murder the ants.

Question 4: What rumor does Liz spread about Skink?

Answer: That Skink sleeps with a pink teddy bear.

Question 5: Why did Skink have a teddy bear in his room?

Answer: He bought it to give to a little girl in Clawberg.

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