









#### Exodus 20:13

"Thou shalt not kill." (King James)
"You shall not murder." (New King James, New American Standard, NIV, AMP, ESV, NASV, NRSV, TEV, WEB, Young's Literal, etc.)





#### "Kill / Murder"

<u>OT:7523</u>\* ratsach —

to murder, to slay, to kill

- a) (Qal) to murder, to slay
  - 1) premeditated
  - 2) accidental
  - 3) as avenger
  - 4) slayer (intentional) (participle)
- b) (Niphal) to be slain
- c) (Piel)
  - 1) to murder, to assassinate
  - 2) murderer, assassin (participle) (substantive)
- d) (Pual) to be killed

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### Murder Not Tolerated Num 35:30-34 No ransom was allowed for murders.

**V 14-15** People could flee to a 'City of Refuge' if they caused an accidental death.

**V 16** Using a hand alone did not automatically show intent to murder—but an iron implement did, as did a stone or wooden hand weapon.

**V 20-21** Even a hand that kills, when "lying in wait" would cause someone to be a murder.





Where Murder Starts Mat 15:18-20 Murder comes from the heart.

John 8:44 Satan is called a murderer from the start.

**Eph 2:1-3** Satan's spirit produces the works of the flesh (Galatians 5:19-21).

Mat 5:21-22 Remember murder comes from the heart—the spirit of murder is there when we nurture hatred.





### **Admonition for Christian Brethren**

Mat 5:23-24 Be at peace with brother before bringing gift to God.

John 13:34-35 Loving each other is a command of Christ! It is doctrine—teaching.

**1Thes 5:12-13** Be at peace among yourselves.

**1 John 4:7-8, 20-21** Cannot hate brother and love God.



