

LOVING STRANGER AS NEIGHBOR: THE COMPASSION OF BIBLICAL LAW

In many Christian circles, Old Testament law is often seen as a foil to the New Testament concept of grace. But rather than being unnecessary and legalistic, at the heart of these ancient commandments is an ethic of compassion that can cultivate how the church goes about building the beloved community.



In this lecture, Ryan Bonfiglio will examine biblical laws that emphasize Israel's responsibility to protect and provide for the non-Israelite stranger and how they can inform the way the church today responds to refugees and other marginalized communities.

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