“A Simple ‘Yes or No’ Will Do!”
Matthew 5:33-37
Message series: “Matthew for Everyone”
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‘Again, you have heard that it was said to the people long ago, ‘Do not break your oath, but keep the oaths you have made to the Lord.’ But I tell you, Do not swear at all: either by heaven, for it is God’s throne; or by the earth, for it is his footstool; or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the Great King. And do not swear by your head, for you cannot make even one hair white or black. Simply let your ‘Yes’ be ‘Yes,’ and your ‘No,’ ‘No’; anything beyond this comes from the evil one.”

What is God saying to us today?

1. People who trust God’s Word should be people who can be trusted with their word.

2. People who enlist themselves as a warranty for their promises misunderstand their capabilities.

3. People who move beyond a clear “yes/no” motivation in their speaking are influenced by the evil one.
Sermon Notes

Pastor Troy’s Weekly Blog Question:
Why is being a person of your word so important to Christian community?

Submit your answer on the Grace Sermon Blog and begin a dialogue with others from the Grace family. Beginning tomorrow morning, go to www.atgrace.com/archive and click “Blog” next to today’s sermon title.

Family Time Q & A
1. What did God say to you today?
2. How are you going to respond to the Word of God today?

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