# DON'T KICK AGAINST THE GOADS

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(Acts 26:14 NASB) "And when we had all fallen to the ground, I heard a voice saying to me in the Hebrew dialect, 'Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting Me? It is hard for you to kick against the goads.'

## Are we to continue in sin?

(Romans 6:1-2 NASB) What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin so that grace may increase? May it never be! How shall we who died to sin still live in it?

## **Children of God**

(1 John 3:10 NASB) 10By this the children of God and the children of the devil are obvious: anyone who does not practice righteousness is not of God, nor the one who does not love his brother.

## **Children of God**

(John 1:12 NASB) But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, even to those who believe in His name,

## Jesus raised the bar on sin

(Mat 5:19 NASB) Whoever then annuls one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever keeps and teaches them, he shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.

#### Do not commit murder

(Mat 5:21-22 NASB) "You have heard that the ancients were told, 'You shall not commit murder' and 'Whoever commits' murder shall be liable to the court.' But I say to you that everyone who is angry with his brother shall be guilty before the court; and whoever says to his brother, 'You good-fornothing,' shall be guilty before the supreme court; and whoever says, 'You fool,' shall be guilty enough to go into the fiery hell.

## You shall not commit adultery

(Mat 5:27-28 NASB) "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall not commit adultery'; but I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lust for her has already committed adultery with her in his heart.

## Whoever sends his wife away

(Mat 5:31-32 NASB) "It was said, 'Whoever sends his wife away, let him give her a certificate of divorce'; but I say to you that everyone who divorces his wife, except for the reason of unchastity, makes her commit adultery; and whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery.

# What God says to do:

1. Repent

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(Rev 2:5 NASB) But I have *this* against you, that you have left your first love. 5'Therefore remember from where you have fallen, and repent and do the deeds you did at first; or else I am coming to you and will remove your lampstand out of its place—unless you repent.

# What God says to do:

- 1. Repent
- 2. Obey

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(Phil 2:12-13 NASB) So then, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your salvation with fear and trembling; 13for it is God who is at work in you, both to will and to work for *His* good pleasure.

## What God says to do:

- 1. Repent
- 2. Obey
- 3. Put off and Put on

#### Put off Put on

(Eph 4:22-24 NASB) that, in reference to your former manner of life, you lay aside the old self, which is being corrupted in accordance with the lusts of deceit, and that you be renewed in the spirit of your mind, and put on the new self, which in the likeness of God has been created in righteousness and holiness of the truth.

