



## Group Discussion and Application

1. Why is it important for us to understand the wide scope of these commandments?
2. Why do you think there is increased violence and murder in our society today?
3. Give some examples of the unlawful taking of life.
4. What are some specific, practical actions we can take to protect life?
5. What are some of the opportunities we have to promote, protect and preserve life?
6. Explain how the murder of a human being is an offense against God.
7. How can we be guilty of the 6<sup>th</sup> commandment in thought and attitude? What did Jesus teach about this (Mt. 5:21f)? Also see 1John 3:15.
8. What are some Biblical examples of murder? What do we learn from these?
9. What constitutes a "just" war?
10. What does the Bible say about capital punishment?



## Personal Reflection and Response

1. In what ways are you in violation of this commandment?
2. What personal action will you take to protect life?
3. Think through your own convictions regarding issues like capital punishment and war. Do some Biblical study on these issues.



## Family Homework

1. Keep track of the violence you see on TV this week.
2. How many of the headlines and stories in your newspaper are related to violence and murder?
3. Discuss some ways your family might be involved in protecting and preserving life.



# Protecting Life

Exodus 20:13

The 6<sup>th</sup> Commandment: *"You shall not murder."*

## 1

The Scope

## 2

The Sin

## 3

The Solution / Satisfaction