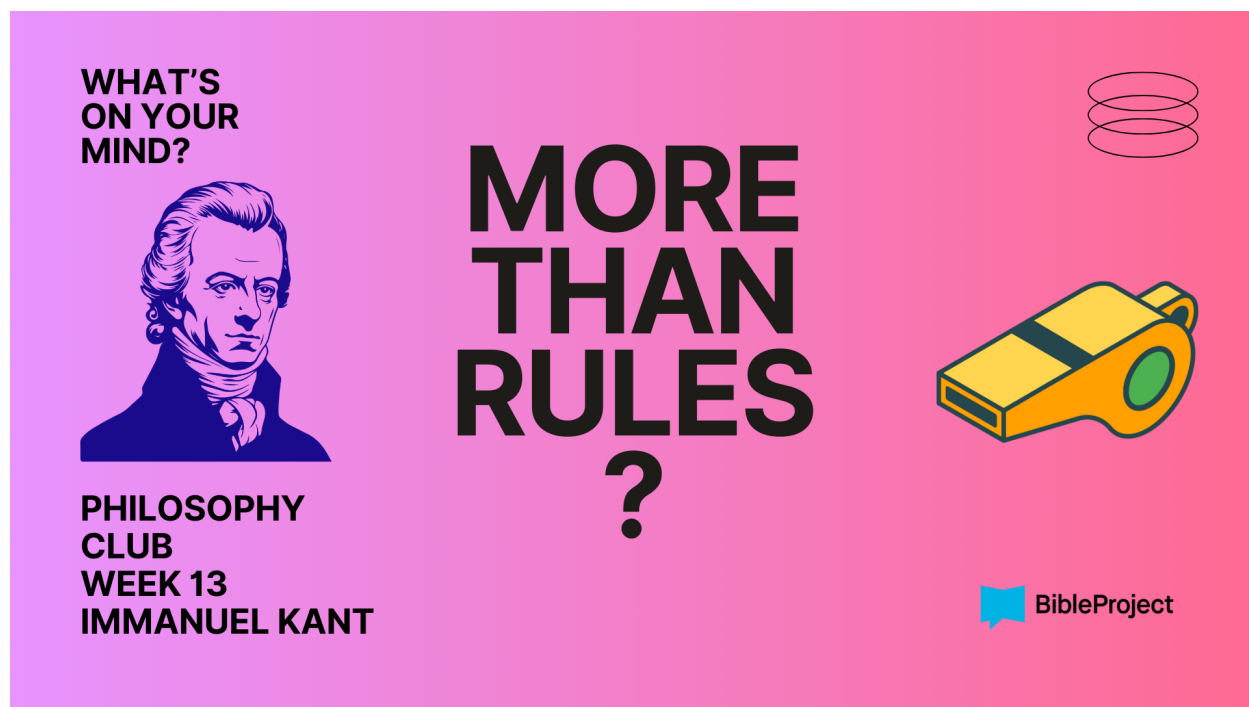




🧠 The Big Questions Club, Week 14 | More Than Rules

🎬 What the Video Taught

Jesus shows us how ancient commands from the Bible, like do not murder, do not commit adultery, and do not treat people like objects, are not just rules. They are *wisdom*. They help us learn how to live with respect and care for others, and how to become the kind of person who truly sees others as valuable.

“Jesus wants us to see that any time we demean or devalue other people, it's a failure to do right by them.”

“Real righteousness and wisdom means treating every human like they have ultimate value.”

“God's wisdom in these commands is aimed at our core desires and motivations that affect how we treat people.”

Jesus is not just telling people what *not* to do. He is helping us see what is *inside* us! Our anger, our selfish desire, our pride, and how those things lead us to hurt others, even if we think we are following the rules.

Philosopher of the Week: Immanuel Kant (1724 to 1804)

Kant believed that every human being has **deep worth** just because they are a person. You should never treat someone like a tool to get what you want. You should treat them with care and respect, always.

“Act in such a way that you treat humanity... always as an end and never merely as a means.”

Jesus and Kant both believe that **what matters is not just what you do**, but how you **see** other people. Are they valuable in your eyes? Do you treat them like they matter?

Real-Life Examples

You feel angry at someone in your class

- *What the world might say:* “Let it out. They were rude. Tell them off.”
- *What Jesus says:* “Anger and insults come from the same root as violence. Do not tear others down in your heart.”
- *What Kant would say:* “Even when you are mad, that person still has worth. Speak with respect.”

You keep looking at someone just to feel something

- *What the world might say:* “It is just looking. They will never know.”
- *What Jesus says:* “Even if you do not touch them, treating someone like they are only there for your pleasure is not love.”
- *What Kant would say:* “People are not objects. They are not for your use.”

You are bored of someone you once liked

- *What the world might say:* “If it is not fun anymore, leave.”
- *What Jesus says:* “Marriage and promises are not just feelings. They are meant to build safety, respect, and shared dignity.”
- *What Kant would say:* “If you gave your word, honor it. Do not treat people like something to throw away.”

Final Reflection

Jesus is not just making rules. He is showing us **a new way to see people**. A way that builds up instead of breaking down. A way that values others, even when it costs us something. A way that helps us become people who bring peace.

 **What would change if you saw every person, even someone who annoys you, as deeply valuable?**

You can be someone who lives by this wisdom! Someone who brings dignity wherever you go.

Watch It Again

Scan the QR code below to rewatch this week's video and reflect on what stuck with you.

