

Melbourne Community Church (MCC)

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| Oath Taking | Deuteronomy 23:21, 23:23 | 33-37 | |
| Retaliation | Exodus 21:24 | 38-42 | |
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