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"The Second Table of the Law" Part 3

Scripture: Exodus 20:12-21

Memory Work:

- 8. You shall not steal.
- 9. You shall not bear false witness.
- 10. You shall not covet.

Big Idea: Just as God regulates our relationship with him, he also regulates our relationships with other people.

I. You Shall Not Steal (20:15)

- A. We are commanded to honor the sanctity of other peoples' possessions.
- B. To steal is to appropriate someone else's property unlawfully.
- C. We are commanded by God not to steal. Whenever we take something that does not belong to us, however we do it, we sin against God and against our neighbor.
- D. John 10:10

II. You Shall Not Bear False Witness (20:16)

- A. We are commanded to honor the sanctity of another person's reputation.
- B. Deuteronomy 19:15
- C. Numbers 35:30
- D. Deuteronomy 17:6-7
- E. Hosea 4:2a
- F. We are commanded to speak the truth.
- G. Satan is a liar (John 8:44).
- H. God never lies (Titus 1:2).
- I. Jesus is the truth (John 14:6).
- J. The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of truth (John 14:17; 1 John 4:6).
- K. Ephesians 4:25
- L. Lingering Question: Is there ever a time when it is permissible to lie?

III. You Shall Not Covet (20:17)

- A. We are commanded to honor God's providential arrangement of our lives in this world.
- B. To covet is to desire strongly, to crave, to yearn for, to hanker after something that belongs to someone else.
- C. It's not simply wanting something we don't have; it's wanting something someone else has.
- D. Coveting is a sin of desire.
- E. Coveting is an internal sin.
- F. The heart of the human problem is the problem of the human heart (Mark 7:20-23).

Conclusion

- A. Exodus 20:18-21
- B. James 2:10
- C. 1 Timothy 2:5
- D. The Gospel Definition