

The 10 Commandments

9TH/10TH – Don't Covet!! (Me, covet...NEVER!!!)

Confirmation - Lesson B18

Memory Verse- 'Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be _____. I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. I can do all things through Him who _____ me.' **Philippians 4:11-13**

9th & 10th Commandments - 'You shall not covet your neighbor's _____; you shall not covet your neighbors' wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his donkey, or _____ that is your neighbor's.' **Exodus 20:17**

- _____ - To yearn, desire, or crave something/someone, in an _____ way, while disregarding what you already have.

Coveting stems from a lack of _____ and a false belief that possessing something will make you more _____.

- Coveting can be _____ around anything, including people, possessions, accomplishments, feelings, abilities or status and we must discover the deeper _____ that is driving our desires.
 - **Genesis 3:6** - 'When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining _____, she took some of it and ate it.'

We should not desire 'things' to give us identity, but rather be _____ with what we have and realize we are _____ of what God has entrusted to us.

- **Philippians 4:11-13** - '...for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be _____. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. I can do all things through Him who _____ me.'
- What you _____ most will guide your _____ in this world---we will either view God and people as valuable, in and of themselves, or as a _____ to get what we want.
- We need to live for eternity and strive for _____ virtues, not _____ virtues

Commandment wrap-up

- Our obedience to the Commandments results _____ our relationship with God and not _____ our relationship with God
- _____ is the basis of the Commandments and they can be separated into loving _____ & loving _____.
 - _____ - No other gods, Don't misuse God's name, Honor the Sabbath
 - _____ - Honor your parents, don't murder, don't commit adultery, don't steal, don't lie, don't covet

The 3 functions of the Law are: 1) _____, 2) _____, and 3) _____

- _____ - Reflects who we truly are and shows our need for a Savior
- _____ - Prevents us from doing bad things and keeps order in the world
- _____ - Leads us into God's ways and the path towards life

- **Ecclesiastes 7:20** - 'Surely there is not a _____ man on earth who does good and never _____.'
- **Romans 6:10** - 'For the death He died he died to sin, _____, but the life He lives He lives to God.'

Main Point: Our identity fully rests in the adoption we have through Jesus and therefore, we can be _____ as children of God!

Reflection Time

Use this space to silently reflect on these questions:

1) What I really covet most is...

2) The deeper reason that I covet is...

3) A time that I really wanted something and got it, but was then disappointed was...

4) How does Jesus death and resurrection help us be content?

5) One step I can take to becoming more content is...

Family Time

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Family Time is meant to be an opportunity to get the family talking about spiritual things. Multiple studies show that parents and grandparents are the #1 faith role models in a child's life. We know life is busy, but we want to give you opportunities to grow together. A great time to do this is in the car, while eating a meal, or simply anytime you can enjoy together.

Memory Verse- *'Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. I can do all things through Him who strengthens me.'* **Philippians 4:11-13**

1) **Ask your parent(s):** If they won the lottery, what would be the first 2 things they would honestly do with the money?

2) **Ask your parent(s):** What was something they desperately wanted and actually received, when they were your age? When they received it, did it live up to their expectations?

3) **As a family, get on Social Media together and scroll through the feed for a few minutes.** What stands out to you? How does this make you feel about yourself?

4) We talked about there being a root to coveting that was much deeper than the coveted object itself. What are 2 deeper reasons people covet?

- 1) _____
- 2) _____

5) Relatively speaking, Americans have a tremendous amount compared to the rest of the world. What causes us to still want so much more?

6) Look at Question #88 in your Small Catechism (pg. 116). How does this define coveting?

7) Ask your parents---from the previous question, how would you know when wanting something crossed the line and became sinful?

8) Read 1 Timothy 6:6-10 and write 3 things that stood out:

- 1) _____
- 2) _____
- 3) _____

9) Contentment is a huge theme in the 1 Timothy 6---Brainstorm 3 ways we can learn to be content? (See Philippians 4:11-13, Luke 12:15-21, Psalm 37:4, and Psalm 119:35-36 for ideas)

- 1) _____
- 2) _____
- 3) _____

10) Pray together as a family---pray for content hearts, pray that you can live for eternity, pray that God can heal the deeper desires that drive you to covet, and pray for a thankful perspective!

Your Name: _____

Parent Signature: _____

(please print your name so we can read it)