

# The Ten Commandments

Living His Truth for Our Joy

Exodus 20

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## TRUTH 8: GIVING IS BETTER

### Review From Series

1. We find joy in the one true God!
2. We find joy in worshipping God alone!
3. We find joy in the wonderful name of God...we treat it rightly!
4. We find joy in living in Godly rhythm!
5. We find joy in honoring parents!
6. We find joy in valuing all life!
7. We find joy in Godly marriages!

Exodus 20:15 (AFAT)-לֹא גַנַב-

**Study Verse Section:** No [Heb. לָּ (Lō) *stealing* [Heb. גַּנַּב (*gānab*) *Qal active imperfect verb (2<sup>nd</sup> person) denoting an ongoing habitual action lit. "to take from the side" the word was used when something like the wind would take something away unexpectedly.*

## 1. THE REASON FOR THE COMMAND

### God's Ownership of All

Deuteronomy 10:14 (ESV)-Behold, to the Lord your God belong heaven and the heaven of heavens, the earth with all that is in it.

Psalms 50:10 (ESV)-For every beast of the forest is mine, the cattle on a thousand hills.

### God's Provision For All

Job 1:21 (ESV)- And he said, "Naked I came from my mother's womb, and naked shall I return. The Lord gave, and the Lord has taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord."

Romans 11:33 (ESV)- Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!

## 2. WAYS COMMAND IS BROKEN

### Stealing From Others

Ephesians 4:28 (ESV)- Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with anyone in need.

Amos 8:5 (NIV)-saying, "When will the New Moon be over that we may sell grain, and the Sabbath be ended that we may market wheat?" — skimping on the measure, boosting the price and cheating with dishonest scales,

### Stealing From God

Malachi 3:8 (ESV)-"Will a mere mortal rob God? Yet you rob me. "But you ask, 'How are we robbing you?' "In tithes and offerings.

Genesis 11:4 (ESV)-Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves, lest we be dispersed over the face of the whole earth.

Daniel 4:30 (ESV)-and the king [Nebuchadnezzar] answered and said, "Is not this great Babylon, which I have built by my mighty power as a royal residence and for the glory of my majesty?"

## 3. APPLICATION

- A. Stop Stealing (1 Peter 4:15)
- B. Make Restitution (Luke 19:1-10)
- C. Be A Fair Employer (Leviticus 19:13)
- D. Be A Model Employee (Ephesians 4:28)
- E. Be Generous (Proverbs 11:24-25)
- F. Be Forgiven From Your Past (1 John 1:9)

**Here Is The Point:** We find our joy in trusting God's provision in our lives!