

Study QUESTIONS

Ep. 1451: Do We Ever Steal Without Realizing It?

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See:



1. Relate the usage of the word “steal” in the Eighth Commandment to the following scriptures. How do these verses establish and recognize the personal rights of those in the community?
 - a. Exodus 20:15
 - b. Exodus 21:16
 - c. Leviticus 19:11-13
 - d. Leviticus 19:35-36
 - e. Leviticus 6:1-3
2. What was the penalty and expectation for someone caught stealing under the Jewish Law? How do these restitution penalties demonstrate God’s concern for the stability of the community? (Leviticus 6:4-7, Exodus 22:1,4)
3. In what way can negligence become a form of stealing? What principle of personal responsibility is taught in Exodus 22:5?
4. Have I ever neglected some aspect of my personal, spiritual or business life to allow me to gain what I wanted at someone else’s expense? What should you have done differently? (Matthew 15:19-20, Leviticus 19:11-13)
5. In what way does Jesus interpret the Eighth Commandment more broadly than the Jewish Law? Where does the sin of stealing (and other wrong actions) originate according to our Lord Jesus? (Matthew 15:19-20)
6. How does Jesus’ summary of the Law in Matthew 22:35-40 provide the foundation for understanding why stealing violates both love for God and love for our neighbors? (Matthew 22:35-40)
7. When we come to Christ, what is expected of us? What is Paul’s warning on this? (1 Corinthians 6:10-11)
8. Why was Jesus so forceful and angry in cleansing the temple? (Matthew 21:12-13, Isaiah 56:7, Jeremiah 7:11)
9. If we have stolen in any way, how should we change our lives? To combat any and all forms of theft, what is the Christian alternative beyond, “You shall not steal”? (Ephesians 4:27-28, Romans 13:8-9)

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10. How can I actively work and serve in ways where I can help others who have needs instead of only focusing on myself?