

Principles for Holy Living #8 – Be Generous

A Study on the Ten Commandments

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Exodus 20:15 “You shall not steal.”

Ephes. 4:28 He who has been stealing must steal no longer, but must work, doing something useful with his own hands, that he may have something to share with those in need.

Luke 6:30-35, 38 Give to everyone who asks you, and if anyone takes what belongs to you, do not demand it back. [31] Do to others as you would have them do to you.

[32] "If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? Even 'sinners' love those who love them. [33] And if you do good to those who are good to you, what credit is that to you? Even 'sinners' do that. [34] And if you lend to those from whom you expect repayment, what credit is that to you? Even 'sinners' lend to 'sinners,' expecting to be repaid in full. [35] But love your enemies, do good to them, and lend to them without expecting to get anything back. Then your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High, because he is kind to the ungrateful and wicked. ... [38] Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you."

I. THINKING: Why people steal

- A. More concerned with _____ than _____
 B. More concerned with _____ than _____
 C. More concerned with _____ than _____
 D. More concerned with _____ than _____

I. LIVING: How people steal

- A. _____ stealing Deut. 24:10-15
 B. _____ stealing Luke 10:30-37; Matt. 25:24-30
 C. _____ stealing

II. LOVING: From whom people steal

- A. _____
 B. _____
 C. _____

1. Stealing His _____ Malachi 3:8-9; Mat. 23:23
 2. Stealing His _____ Isaiah 42:8; 48:11
 3. Stealing Our _____ Romans 12:1-2

Eph. 4:28; Matt. 6:19-20; Luke 6:30-35, 38; 2 Cor. 9:7-8

**“A thief who has _____ stealing may _____ be a thief at
_____ — a thief just _____. He really _____ to
be a thief only if and when he _____ stealing with _____.”**