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Commandment #8 - You shall not steal

Attitude #1 - "What's yours is mine; I'll take it."

Joshua 6:16-17 - After the seventh time around, the priests blew the horns, and Joshua commanded the people, "Shout! For the LORD has given you the city! ¹⁷ Now the city and everything in it must be devoted to the LORD for destruction...

v. 18 - If you take any of these, you'll set apart the camp of Israel for destruction and bring disaster upon it.

v. 19 - All the silver and gold and all the articles of bronze and iron are holy to the LORD; they must go into His treasury."

James 1:5 - If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask God, who gives generously to all without reproach, and it will be given him.

Attitude #2 - "What's mine is mine; I'll keep it."

Luke 12:16 - Then Jesus told them a parable: "The ground of a certain rich man produced an abundance."

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Attitude #3 - *"What's mine is God's; I'll share it."*

Ephesians 4:28 - Let him who stole steal no longer, but rather let him labor, working with his hands what is good, that he may have something to *give* him who has need.

2 Cor. 8:9 - For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor, so that you through His poverty might become rich.

Malachi 3:8-10 - "Will a man rob God? Yet you've robbed Me! But you say, 'How have we robbed You?' In tithes and offerings. You're cursed with a curse, for you are robbing Me, the whole nation of you. Bring the full tithe into the storehouse, so that there may be food in My house. Test Me in this," says the LORD of Hosts. "See if I won't open the windows of heaven and pour out for you blessing without measure."

Luke 6:38 - Give, and it will be given to you; good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over it will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured back to you."

Colossians 3:23 - Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for people.

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Commandment #9 - Don't lie

#1 - Lying erodes your character.

Mark 7:21-23 - "For from within, out of a person's heart, come evil thoughts, sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery, greed, wickedness, *deceit*, lustful desires, envy, slander, pride, and foolishness. All these evil things come from within; they are what *defile* you."

#2 - Lying dishonors God.

Acts 5:15 - But a certain man named Ananias, with Sapphira his wife, sold a possession. ² And he kept back part of the proceeds, his wife also being aware of it, and brought a certain part and laid it at the apostles' feet. ³ But Peter said, "Ananias, why has Satan filled your heart to *lie* to the Holy Spirit and keep back part of the price of the land for yourself? ⁴ While it remained, was it not your own? And after it was sold, was it not in your own control? Why have you conceived this thing in your heart? You haven't *lied* to men but to God." ⁵ Then Ananias, hearing these words, fell down and breathed his last. So great fear came upon all those who heard these things.

1. Ananias' sin was deception.

Psalm 51:6 - God desires truth in the innermost being.

2. Ananias' sin came from the devil.

Peter: "Ananias, why has Satan filled your heart to lie to the Holy Spirit?"

John 8:44 - The devil... was a murderer *from the beginning*, not holding to the truth, for there is no truth in him... for he's a liar and *the father of lies*.

3. Ananias' sin was against God.

Peter: "*You haven't lied to men but to God.*"

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1. Know the truth.

John 17:17 - Your word is truth.

2. Tell the truth.

Proverbs 10:19 - When words are many, sin is unavoidable, but he who restrains his lips is wise.

3. Adopt the attitude: What's mine is God's; I'll share it.

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The 8th commandment reveals what your attitude is towards possessions. Everyone has one of three attitudes towards possessions.

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There are a few ways people rob God and don't even realize it.

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What's the problem with "little" lies?

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Most lies stem from two things: _____.

_____ will cause me to make myself look better than I am.

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_____ will cause me to make someone look worse than they are.

#2 - Lying _____.

Peter said three important things about Ananias' sin

1. Ananias' sin was _____.

2. Ananias' sin came from _____.

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