

Student Make Up Work

January 10 - Lesson "The 10 Commandments: Protect Property"

Parents this make-up work should be done together with you and your student. There will be questions to discuss verbally and question to answer in written format. Please sign the bottom of the sheet and return to the sermon note drop off box.

Main Idea: We honor God when we get things fairly and treat people fairly.

Parent and Youth Discuss and Write out answer

Read the 7th Commandment and Luther's Meaning in your Small Catechism

Commandments 4 - 10 are about our relationship with our neighbor.

1. What does this commandment have to do with our neighbor?

Watch the youtube video, "The Black Hole" https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P5_Msrdg3Hk

Discuss with your Parent

2. What do you think about the above video clip? What message did that send you?

3. What does the world say about how we should get stuff?

4. Do you think these statements are true about what the world tells us? Why or Why not?

"If you don't look out for yourself, no one will."

"Watch your back, because someone else is ready to take advantage of your weaknesses."

"No harm, no foul."

5. What is stealing?

Parent and Youth Discuss and Write out answer

Read Luther's meaning of this commandment again.

There are two parts to this commandment. What we do TO others and what we do FOR others.

6. What does Luther say that we should do TO others?

God tells us that possessions are important. God gives us everything we have and everything we need. In the Lord's Prayer, Daily Bread, refers to God giving us our relationships, government, and good weather. God gives us things that nurture life; food, clothing, a home, some money to live off of.

God wants our stuff to be protected - so we are protected. To live safely and securely in this world, we need to be able to trust that what is ours will remain ours. This is not talking about NOT sharing, it is talking about other things being taken from you.

It is about Trust. We live in a better world when we can trust one another. Being fair and honest in all things.

This commandments is NOT just about protecting our stuff, it is also about HOW we get our stuff. God is also concerned with how we get our stuff. Whenever we try to get what belongs to someone else through UNJUST dealings, it's stealing, because we are denying your neighbor a fair return.

Be fair and honest in all things. The commandment, Do not Steal, seems easy enough to follow. But his commandment is more than that. It is also about **omission**.

7. What is omission? _____

Read Scripture: John 2: 13 - 22

8. What do you think Jesus was so angry about?

9. How is this stealing?

10. What does Luther say we should do FOR others?

Discuss with your parent.

Jesus wants for us to love our neighbor and Jesus was always looking out for the most vulnerable in society.

11. Who are those people today?

Spectrum Game *(Both Parent and Student do this activity)*

On a scale of 1 - 5, rate where you think each statement is concerning breaking this commandment according to Luther's meaning. Discuss with each other your reasoning.

Steal 1 2 3 4 5 Not Stealing

You walk away with extra change when the clerk gives you too much.

You find a wallet with no name and don't attempt to find the owner.

You return a shirt you bought after you wore it.

You take more food than you can eat at lunch.

You agree to work four hours. The work takes three hours and the person who hired you pays you for four hours.

You can fix your bike so it works for a short time, but then the problem shows up again. You fix it and sell it to someone else without telling them that something is wrong with it.

You accidentally see the answer sheet to a test and don't let the teacher know.

You go gambling.

Your friend moves and you realize you didn't give borrowed video game back. You decide its too much hassle to mail so you keep it.

You never return a library book.

You download a paper off the Internet and turn it in as one you wrote.

You use your employer's internet and copier and phone for your personal business.

You buy clothing someone got paid pennies to make.

Discuss with your parent this commandment further.

According to Luther, it is about being fair and honest in all things. It is not about things, it is about respect and trust for others.

- 12. Is stealing ok as long as no one gets hurt?
- 13. Do you always see the people who get hurt?
- 14. Is there stealing that is justified?
- 15. What does it mean to be very poor? If you have nothing does that change the rules?
- 16. What responsibility do people who have just a little have to people who have nothing?
- 17. What things in your life are most difficult to share?
- 18. How are material things obstacles to faith?

Close in Prayer with one another

Parents Signature: _____