



# NO STEALING

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Text: Exodus 20:1-17

Introduction: We rarely go for extended periods of time, without hearing something said about the Ten Commandments. What do they mean to Christian? Tonight we going to consider the eighth commandment. I hope it will give you a newfound respect for the commands of God. . . .

Discussion:

## I. What Was The Eighth Commandment?

### A. What Is Stealing?

1. Stealing something out in the open.
2. Stealing by finding something and not reporting it lost.
3. Stealing though burglary.
4. Stealing through robbery.
5. Stealing by being lazy at work.
6. Stealing by working too hard.
7. Stealing by pilfering from the family.
8. Stealing by not paying taxes.
9. Stealing by treating customers poorly.
10. Stealing by not repaying money.
11. Stealing by not returning items.
12. Stealing thought insurance fraud.
13. Stealing by begging on the basis of false information.
14. Stealing by making illegal copies of copyrighted material.
15. Stealing by handling stolen goods.
16. Stealing by laziness and not providing for yourself or your family.
17. Stealing by neglecting to give to the Lord and His church.

### B. How Do People Steal?

1. "Aggressive Stealing"  
**Leviticus 19:11, Deuteronomy 5:19, 24:7, Exodus 21:16, Jeremiah 23:30**
2. "Passive Stealing"  
**Leviticus 19:13, Isaiah 10:2, Ezekiel 22:29-31, 33:15, Proverbs 22:22, 29:24, Zechariah 5:1-3**

## II. How Was The Eighth Commandment Followed Under the Old Law?

### A. The Kings

**Psalm 24:1, I Kings 21, Isaiah 1:23**

### B. The Prophets

**Nehemiah 5:1-14, Habakkuk 2:6-11, Exodus 22:25-27, Leviticus 25:35-38, Hosea 4:1-3, Zechariah 5:1-4, Malachi 3:8-12**

### C. The First Century Jews

**Matthew 6:19-20, Matthew 5:42, Luke 6:30, Luke 6:32-35, John 2:13-25, Matthew 26:14-16**

## III. How Is The Eighth Commandment Followed Under the New Law?

- A. God's View Is Consistent (**I Corinthians 6:9-10**)
- B. God's View Is Compelling (**Ephesians 5.3-6**)
- C. God's View Is Contractual (**Psalm 2:2-3**)
- D. God's View Is Considerate (**Matthew 7:12**)

Conclusion: We know why the Israelites followed the Ten Commandments (**Deuteronomy 6:6-9**). Why did Jesus follow the Ten Commandments? Why did Jesus teach the Ten Commandments? These are the rules Jesus lived by, the principles He stood for, and the basis of what He taught and believed. Are you saved by the blood of the Lamb? Are you seeking to please God? Come to Jesus!!!!

**WORD OF THE DAY = "STEAL"**