Community Group Discussion Guide

Sunday, September 6, 2020

Scripture: Exodus 20:15



THIS WEEK'S FOCUS

The eighth commandment teaches us that all we have comes from God's gracious provision and that the gospel compels us to steward God's good gifts and give generously to our neighbor's in need.

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION (Use along with Reading: Ante Faciem Dei)

- What is the purpose of the 10 Commandments? What do they reveal about God and us?
- Why does God prohibit stealing? Give some examples of the various forms of stealing.
- Why do we steal? How does sin influence our perception of property, possessions, and work?
- Discuss how theft is effectively denying God's sovereignty and provision.
- What is the opposite of theft? How do we properly steward God's gracious provision?
- Explain how Jesus fulfilled the eighth commandment in his incarnation (2 Corinthians 8:9), sinless perfection (2 Corinthians 5:21), crucifixion (Luke 23:39-43), provision (Matthew 13:44)? On the cross, how did Jesus pay the eternal debt we owed God?
- Contrast the riches of this world and riches given to us in the gospel of Jesus Christ. How do the gospel and the hope of our future inheritance affect how you treat material things and other people?

