

# The Westminster Larger Catechism

## **Q. 140. Which is the eighth commandment?**

A. The eighth commandment is, *Thou shalt not steal.*

## **Q. 141. What are the duties required in the eighth commandment?**

A. The duties required in the eighth commandment are, truth, faithfulness, and justice in contracts and commerce between man and man; rendering to everyone his due; restitution of goods unlawfully detained from the right owners thereof; giving and lending freely, according to our abilities, and the necessities of others; moderation of our judgments, wills, and affections concerning worldly goods; a provident care and study to get, keep, use, and dispose these things which are necessary and convenient for the sustentation of our nature, and suitable to our condition; a lawful calling, and diligence in it; frugality; avoiding unnecessary lawsuits, and suretiship, or other like engagements; and an endeavor, by all just and lawful means, to procure, preserve, and further the wealth and outward estate of others, as well as our own.

## **Q. 142. What are the sins forbidden in the eighth commandment?**

A. The sins forbidden in the eighth commandment, besides the neglect of the duties required, are, theft, robbery, man-stealing, and receiving any thing that is stolen; fraudulent dealing, false weights and measures, removing landmarks, injustice and unfaithfulness in contracts between man and man, or in matters of trust; oppression, extortion, usury, bribery, vexatious lawsuits, unjust inclosures and depopulations; ingrossing commodities to enhance the price; unlawful callings, and all other unjust or sinful ways of taking or withholding from our neighbour what belongs to him, or of enriching ourselves; covetousness; inordinate prizing and affecting worldly goods; distrustful and distracting cares and studies in getting, keeping, and using them; envying at the prosperity of others; as likewise idleness, prodigality, wasteful gaming; and all other ways whereby we do unduly prejudice our own outward estate, and defrauding ourselves of the due use and comfort of that estate which God hath given us.

# Cottonwood Community Church

December 27 2009  
First Sunday After Christmas

Sunday Devotion, 9:15 a.m.  
Sunday Worship, 10:00 a.m.

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Welcome

The Collect

[Psalms 81:8-16](#)

**(8) Hear, O my people, while I admonish you!  
O Israel, if you would but listen to me!**

(9) There shall be no strange god among you; you shall not bow down to a foreign god.

**(10) I am the LORD your God, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt. Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it.**

(11) "But my people did not listen to my voice; Israel would not submit to me.

**(12) So I gave them over to their stubborn hearts, to follow their own counsels.**

(13) Oh, that my people would listen to me, that Israel would walk in my ways!

**(14) I would soon subdue their enemies and turn my hand against their foes.**

(15) Those who hate the LORD would cringe toward him, and their fate would last forever.

**(16) But he would feed you with the finest of the wheat, and with honey from the rock I would satisfy you."**

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Hymn 63: Angels From The Realms of Glory

Old Testament Reading: Psalm 95:7-11

Hymn 58: Joy To The World

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

New Testament Reading: John 19:30

Chorus 71: All Hail King Jesus

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### **Rest and the New Creation**

Hebrews 4:1-13

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Congregational Prayer

Our Father, who art in Heaven,  
Hallowed be Thy name.

Thy kingdom come,

Thy will be done, on earth as it is in Heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom, and the power,  
and the glory, forever. Amen.

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Hymn 39: Dismiss Us With Thy Blessing

Benediction: Now the God of peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, Make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is wellpleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.