

The 10 Commandments (Part II)

- Opening Scripture: Exodus 20:1-17 (Deuteronomy 5:6-22)
- Commandment 6: "Thou shalt not kill."
 - Matthew 5:21-22 → extends beyond killing physically
 - "Raca" (Greek) → "O empty one;" thou worthless (as a term of utter vilification- to speak ill of/defame/slander/to make vile); empty-headed; senseless; a term of reproach used by the Jews in the time of Christ
- Commandment 7: "Thou shalt not commit adultery."
 - Matthew 5:27-28, 31-32 → extends the definition
 - the New Testament gets to the root cause of adultery
- Commandment 8: "Thou shalt not steal."
 - Ephesians 4:28, I Peter 4:15 → also in the New Testament
 - steal (dictionary) → to take the property of another/others without permission or right, especially secretly or by force; to appropriate (ideas, credit, words, etc...) without right or acknowledgement
- Commandment 9: "Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour."
 - Ephesians 4:25, Colossians 3:9 → Paul exhorts us not to lie as well
 - John 8:44 → the devil, the father of lies
 - Revelation 21:8 → punishment promised
- Commandment 10: "Thou shalt not covet..."
 - covet (Hebrew) → to delight in
 - covet (Greek, from Romans 13:9) → to set the heart upon, i.e. long for (rightfully or otherwise)
 - covet (dictionary) → to desire wrongfully, inordinately, or without due regard for the rights of others; to wish for, especially eagerly
 - coveting (what is forbidden) especially applies to a wrongful desire for something that does not belong to you, but belongs to someone else