

Luther's Large Catechism
5th, 6th, and 7th Commandments
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1. (41) Where does the 5th Commandment take us? What does it forbid?
2. (42) How are we to treat those who deserve harm from us? Why?
3. (42) What does Luther call a person who does evil against one who wishes you well? Why?
4. (43) How might I break this commandment even if I do nothing?
5. (44) According to Luther, over what works do "God and all his angels rejoice?"
6. (44) Who and what does the 6th Commandment protect?
7. (45) How does Luther encourage Christians to view the estate of marriage? Why?
8. (46) In what sense is the state of marriage higher than any emperor, king, prince, or pope?
9. (47) What blessings does Luther anticipate once people have begun again to view marriage as a "blessed estate pleasing to God?"
10. (47-48) Which blessings of God does the 7th commandment protect? How?
11. (48-49) What are some common ways this commandment is broken in the business world?
12. (51) What does Luther say happens to those who get "stolen property or ill-gotten gain?" How does this square with Scripture's command to "serve God or money?"
13. (51-52) How might a poor man get justice even if he receives no money from the wealthy? Why is this an important concept to remember?
14. (52-53) What does God give to those who keep this commandment, according to Luther?
15. Which part of the explanation of the 5th, 6th, and 7th Commandments surprised you the most? Why?