

SERMON NOTES

God's Top Ten Eagan Vice (Part 7)

"You shall not steal." (Exodus 20:15)

"We should fear and love God that we may not take our neighbor's money or goods, nor get them by false ware or dealing, but help him to improve and protect his property and business." – Martin Luther, the Small Catechism

We steal by –

1. BY **D** _____ CUSTOMERS

"Hear this, you who trample upon the poor, and who eliminate the afflicted ones of the land. Saying, "When will the new moon be over so that we may sell corn, and the Sabbath so we may open the grain bins" – making the ephah light and the shekel heavy, and distorting with dishonest scales." (Amos 8:4-5)

2. BY **D** _____ PAYMENTS

"... and the borrower is servant to the lender." (Proverbs 22:7)

3. BY **D** _____ ON LOANS

"Let no debt remain outstanding." (Romans 13:8)

4. BY **D** _____ THE GOVERNMENT

"If you owe taxes, pay taxes." (Romans 13:7)

5. BY **D** _____ THE LORD

"Will a man rob God? Yet you rob me. "But you ask, 'How do we rob you?' "In tithes and offerings." (Malachi 3:8)

THREE REASONS TO BE HONEST –

1. I'M BEING _____

"His eyes are on the ways of men; he sees their every step. There is no dark place, no deep shadow, where evildoers can hide." (Job 34:21-22)

2. I REAP _____

"A person reaps what he sows." (Galatians 6:7)

"A fortune made by a lying tongue is a fleeting vapor and a deadly snare." (Prov. 21:6)

3. I HAVE _____

"... so that you through his [Christ's] poverty might become rich." (2 Corinthians 8:9)

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