**Memory Work #1** – The Seventh Commandment and its meaning.

You shall not steal

*What does this mean?*

We should fear and love God

so that we do not take our neighbor’s money or possessions,

or get them in any dishonest way,

but help him to improve and protect his possessions and income.

Say it from memory for a parent. Have them sign below when completed correctly.

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**Worksheet #1**

Read *Luther’s Small Catechism*, Questions 59-60 (pages 85-87).

Read *This Is the Christian Faith*, pages 31-33.

1. Answers to the following questions are in the Bible narratives.

John 12:6: What did Judas do with the money he was to keep for the disciples?

Gen. 14:12-16: How did Abraham (Abram) recover Lot’s possessions?

Joshua 7:20-22: Where did Achan hide what he had taken?

2 Kings 5:20-27: Which prophet confronted Gehazi with his trickery and lying?

2. Complete the following Bible verses.

Matt. 7:12 So whatever you \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that others would do to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, do also   
to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Ps. 37:21 The wicked \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ but does not pay \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, but the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

2 Thess. 3:10 If \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is not willing to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, let him \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Phil. 2:4 Let each of you \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ not only to his own \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, but also to the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Lev. 19:35 You shall do no wrong in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, in measures of length or weight or \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

3. Write the word *Burglary, Covetousness, Fraud, Laziness, Robbery, Robbing God, Theft*, before each statement to indicate which form applies to the situation. Each word may be used more than once. If you are not sure of the meaning look it up in the dictionary.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ John pulled a gun and held up a convenience store.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ The stock broker told his client that the investment was “as good as gold” even though he knew that the stock was going to lose money.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ A gang member beat a man with a bat and took his wallet.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Taylor has been known to use her offering for attending a movie.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Dawn told the person working next to her, “Slow down. It doesn’t matter how many pieces you get done, we get paid the same for doing 10 as for doing 20.”

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ A fruit dealer knew that there were bruised tomatoes at the bottom of the basket, but he told the customer they were all good.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Tria bought a soda while shopping for her mother but did not say so when she gave back the change.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ When two plumbers left the company they worked for, the took the client list with them without the owner’s knowledge.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Ken wouldn’t give an offering to church because he felt that he deserved to keep all the money because he worked hard for it.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Stan grabbed $10 from his dad’s “stash of cash” knowing that his dad wouldn’t notice.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Andrew is mad because his friend, Jason, got a new bicycle.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Douglas is paid by the hour but spends a good deal of his time loafing at work.

4. Write **yes** or **no** to indicate whether you could *IMPROVE* a neighbor’s property or business in this way.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 1. Recommend a good dentist to friends.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 2. Be discourteous to customers while working at your job.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 3. Thank your church organist.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 4. Be loud and boisterous in the classroom.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 5. Loaf at your job.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 6. Fail to tell the clerk that he gave you too much change.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 7. Advise friends to stay off the neighbor’s new lawn.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 8. Give generously to church and missions.

Write **yes** or **no** to indicate whether you could *PROTECT* a neighbor’s property in this way.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 1. Tell a stranger that he left his car lights on.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 2. Draw pictures in a library book.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 3. “Borrow” your friends school supplies and never return them.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 4. Ride your bicycle across a soft lawn and make ruts.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 5. Dissuade somebody from lying to the theater attendant about his or her age.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 6. Write graffiti on the wall of a public building.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 7. Tell a neighbor about a better way you have found for killing insects in the garden.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 8. Sweep up the glass of a bottle you dropped on the street.

*When you are done, have an instructor check your work.*

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**Memory Work #2 –** Memorize the Eighth Commandment and its meaning.

You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

*What does this mean?*

We should fear and love God so that

we do not tell lies about our neighbor,

betray him, slander him, or hurt his reputation,

but defend him, speak well of him, and explain everything in the kindest way.

Say it from memory for a parent. Have them sign below when completed correctly.

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**WORKSHEET #2**

Read *Luther’s Small Catechism*, Questions 61-62 (pages 87-89).

Read *This Is the Christian Faith*, pages 33-35.

1. Write these words or groups of words in the correct order to form a sentence. Supply punctuation.

the Eighth Commandment to safeguard reputation God gave

not give your neighbor false testimony against You shall

part of the body great boasts is a small The tongue but it makes

reputation A shattered be restored cannot always

who steals a thief reputation is like A slanderer a person’s

2. Circle T or F after each sentence (true/false).

T F 1. We slander others when we say cruel things about them.

T F 2. In a court of law, we may have to lie in order to protect someone.

T F 3. To withhold some of the truth (“half-truth”) is really a lie.

T F 4. If false accusations are made against our neighbor, it’s best to be silent.

T F 5. By judging people, we ourselves may also be judged.

T F 6. Rumors and gossip are not as bad as outright lies.

T F 7. A secret shared is no longer a secret.

T F 8. A false witness will not go unpunished.

3. Read the Bible passage. Write the words *Betrayed, Defended, False witness(es), Lied, Spoke well of, Slandered* before each statement to tell how the person broke or kept the eighth commandment. Each word may be used more than once. If you are not sure of the meaning look it up in the dictionary.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 1. Luke 7:4-5 The people of Capernaum \_\_ the centurion.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 2. Matthew 26:14-16 Judas \_\_ Jesus

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 3. 1 Samuel 19:4-5 Jonathan \_\_ David

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 4. Matthew 26:59-61 Many \_\_ spoke against Jesus

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 5. 2 Kings 5:19-27 Gehazi \_\_ about and to Elisha

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 6. Mark 14:3-9 Jesus \_\_ the woman who anointed him.

5. Read Proverbs 26:18–28 and fill in the blanks.

Like a madman who throws firebrands, arrows, and death is the man who deceives his neighbor and says, “I am only \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_!”

For lack of wood the fire goes out, and where there is no \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, quarreling ceases.

The words of a whisperer are like delicious \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_; they go down into the inner parts of the body.

Like the glaze covering an earthen vessel are fervent \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_with an \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ heart.

Whoever hates disguises himself with his lips and harbors deceit in his heart; when he speaks \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, believe him not, for there are seven abominations in his heart; though his hatred be covered with deception, his wickedness will be exposed in the assembly.

Whoever digs a pit will fall into it, and a stone will come back on him who starts it rolling. A lying tongue \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_its victims, and a flattering mouth works ruin.

6. Read James 3:3–12 and fill in the blanks

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ can be controlled with \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ are steered with a little \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Forest \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ begin with small sparks

What is the tongue called?

A \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ A restless \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ full of deadly \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**Memory Work #3** – Memorize the Ninth and Tenth Commandments.

9th You shall not covet your neighbor’s house.

10th You shall not covet your neighbor’s wife,

or his manservant, or maidservant,

his ox or donkey,

or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Say it from memory for a parent. Have them sign below when completed correctly.

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**WORKSHEET #3**

Read *Luther’s Small Catechism*, Questions 63-68 (pages 89-92).

Read *This Is the Christian Faith*, pages 35-37

1. Identify the Bible passage that

directs us to think about things which are pure and true.

warns us against all kinds of greed.

states what we need in order to be content.

tells about the sinful desire of Eve.

condemns those who covet property and take it.

lists sins of lust and idolatry along with evil desires.

urges us to keep our lives free from the love of money.

2. Match the first part of each sentence with its ending. Write the letter of the correct ending on the line. Some of the sentences are parts of Bible verses.

\_\_\_\_\_ 1. It is wrong to desire

\_\_\_\_\_ 2. The love of money

\_\_\_\_\_ 3. Put to death, therefore,

\_\_\_\_\_ 4. Godliness with

\_\_\_\_\_ 5. Sin. . . produced in me

\_\_\_\_\_ 6. We should help our

\_\_\_\_\_ 7. Coveting is indeed

\_\_\_\_\_ 8. God wants us to

a. contentment is great gain.

/b. neighbor in keeping what God has given him.

c. every kind of covetous desire.

d. sin and deserves condemnation.

e. another man’s wife.

f. love Him and to have holy desires.

g. whatever belongs to your earthly nature.

h. is a root of all kinds of evil.

3. It is not sinful to “wish to have.” But it is sinful to wish to have AT THE EXPENSE OF SOMEONE ELSE! Show how “wish” became “sinful covetousness” in each case by writing “wish” number on the correct space in the “Sinful covetousness” column.

**Wish**

1. Paige wanted the highest grades in her class.

2. Jamal wanted a little more spending money.

3. Amy wanted to get out of chores to go to a movie with her friends.

4. Kelsey wanted a leading role in the class play.

5. Cody wanted an ice-cream cone.

**Sinful Covetousness**

\_\_\_\_ She lied to her mother by saying she had to study at the library.

\_\_\_\_ He bought it with part of the money his parents gave him for church.

\_\_\_\_ She cheated on a test.

\_\_\_\_ He removed $5 from his father’s wallet.

\_\_\_\_ She talked about how bad of an actor the girl who was chosen in her place was.

4. Read Matthew 6:19–34 and answer the following questions:

What’s the problem with treasures in this life? (vs. 19–20)

What can be the spiritual problem? (vs. 21)

Where does coveting usually begin? (vs. 22–23)

What are we to seek? (vs. 33)

What do we trust? (vs. 25–32)

5. Read 1 Timothy 6:6-10 and answer the following questions:

What does it mean to be content? (Use a dictionary if you need to)

What did we bring into the world when we were born?

What can we take with us when we die?

What is the root of all kinds of evil?

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**Memory Work #4** – Memorize the Close of the Commandments and its meaning.

*What does God say about all these commandments?*

He says: “I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the fathers to the third and fourth generation of those who hate Me, but showing love to a thousand generations of those who love Me and keep My commandments. [Exodus 20:5-6]

*What does this mean?*

God threatens to punish all who break these commandments. Therefore, we should fear His wrath and not do anything against them. But He promises grace and every blessing to all who keep these commandments. Therefore, we should also love and trust in Him and gladly do what He commands.

Say it from memory for a parent. Have them sign below when completed correctly.

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**WORKSHEET #4**

Read *Luther’s Small Catechism*, Questions 69-85 (pages 93-101).

Read *This Is the Christian Faith*, pages 37-45.

1. Read the following Bible verses and fill in the blanks.

Psalm 5:4-5 For you are not a God who delights in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_; \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ may not dwell with you. The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ shall not stand before your eyes; you hate all \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

1 John 1:8 If we say we have no \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, we deceive \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is not in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Ezekiel 18:20 The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ who \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ shall \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Ecclesiastes 12:13-14 Fear God and keep his \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, for this is the whole \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of man. For God will bring every deed into \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, with every \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ thing, whether good or evil.

Matthew 10:28 Do not \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ those who kill the body but cannot kill the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Rather fear \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ who can destroy both soul and body in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

1 Timothy 4:7-8 train yourself for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_; for while \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ training is of some value, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is of value in every way, as it holds promise for the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ life and also for the life to come.

Titus 2:11-14 For the grace of God has appeared, bringing \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for all people, training us to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age, waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ works.

2. Study question 77 in the catechism carefully. After each Bible verse indicate which purpose of the Law applies. Write **Curb**, **Mirror**, or **Guide** in the blank

This has been my practice: I obey Your precepts. Ps. 119:56

All who draw the sword will die by the sword. Matt. 26:5

My heart is set on keeping Your decrees. Ps. 119:11

God will judge men’s secrets through Jesus Christ. Rom. 2:1

You who preach against stealing, do you steal? Rom 2:2

He who conceals his sins does not prosper. Prov. 28:1

I delight in Your commands because I love them. Ps. 119:4

3. Circle T or F before sentence (true/false).

T F 1. The sinful condition we inherited from Adam through our parents is called “actual sin.”

T F 2. We are by nature spiritually dead and enemies of God.

T F 3. The Law shows us our Savior and God’s grace.

T F 4. By eating a piece of fruit Adam and Eve disobeyed God.

T F 5. Other names for sin are trespass and rebellion.

T F 6. Because I am born sinful, I cannot be held responsible for the wrongs I do.

T F 7. We commit sins of omission when we fail to do good.

4. Look up the following Bible verses and write **L** for Law passages and **G** for Gospel passages.

\_\_\_\_ Genesis 3:16

\_\_\_\_ Psalms 67:1 \_\_\_\_ 1 John 2:2

\_\_\_\_ John 6:35 \_\_\_\_ 2 Corinthians 5:19

\_\_\_\_ Isaiah 1:18 \_\_\_\_ Mark 10:19

\_\_\_\_ Matthew 5:17 \_\_\_\_ Luke 5:20

*When you are done, have an instructor check your work.*

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