

### **Discussion Questions (8-29-2010):**

1. Pair off with someone in your group and review the 10 Commandments from memory?
2. Read Exodus 20:15. Have you ever stolen anything? Have you ever had anything stolen from you?
3. It seems like every week of this series we talk about how we have “re-defined” and lost “God’s heart” relating to each of these commandments in our culture today. Do you see signs around you and even in your life that we have done this and become tolerant and dismissing of stealing?
4. Why do you think stealing is usually “not a big deal” in our lives until someone steals from us? Any thoughts?
5. We talked about how breaking any of the 10 Commandments is theft in one-way or another. Go back through the commandments and talk about how this is true.
6. Stealing is more than robbing a bank or car jacking. We talked about several different ways that we can steal:

TAKING what isn't YOURS  
WITHHOLDING what is THEIRS  
DECEIVING for personal GAIN  
EMBEZZELING what is GOD'S

Review this list and talk about each one. Which of these ways to steal do you think you struggle with the most?

7. We concluded this week talking about the antidote for stealing.  
WORK HARD  
Be CONTENT  
Be an EXAMPLE  
Can you see how doing each of these would help us to not steal and perhaps change our perspectives? How so?
8. Read Ephesians 4:28, Colossians 3:23-25, Philippians 4:12-13, 1 Thessalonians 4:11-12 & Psalm 24:1. Which of these verses resonates with you the most? Why?
9. Be sure to finish off your group reviewing the 10 Commandments again and then share any requests that you might have. Pray for these requests and that each of us will honor God's by not stealing.