

# HOME TALK

Making Disciples in the Middle of Everyday Life Mt 28:20a



## Talking about The Ten Commandments

### The Ninth Commandment

**You shall not covet your neighbor's house (Exodus 20:17a).**

#### What does this mean?

This means that we should fear and love God so that we do not seek by scheming to gain possession of our neighbor's inheritance or house nor pretend to have a legal right to them but always help him to keep what is rightfully his.

#### **101** Of what should your earthly home remind you?

It should remind me that my earthly home is temporary and that God has prepared an eternal home for me. It can also remind me that God loves beauty and order and therefore my home should reflect God's love of beauty as seen in Scriptures and nature.

**John 14:2** "In my Father's house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you?"

**1 Peter 1:3-5** "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time."

#### **102** What kinds of possessions are there?

There are useful ones and beautiful ones, both of which reflect the kind of God I have.

**1 Timothy 6:17b** "...God, who richly provides us with everything to enjoy."

#### **103** How should I think about my possessions?

I should realize that my possessions belong to God and that I am a caretaker of them.

**Psalms 50:10-12** "For every beast of the forest is mine, the cattle on a thousand hills. I know all the birds of the hills, and all that moves in the field is mine. "If I were hungry, I would not tell you, for the world and its fullness are mine."

Scriptures are noted in the English Standard Version

