

# Lord's Day 42

110. Q. What does God forbid  
in the eighth commandment?

A. God forbids not only outright theft and robbery  
but also such wicked schemes and devices as  
false weights and measures,  
deceptive merchandising,  
counterfeit money,  
and usury;  
we must not defraud our neighbour in any way,  
whether by force or by show of right.  
In addition God forbids all greed  
and all abuse or squandering of his gifts.

1. Ex 22:1; 1 Cor 5:9, 10; 6:9, 10.
2. Deut 25:13-16; Ps 15:5; Prov 11:1; 12:22; Ezek 45:9-12; Lk 6:35.
3. Mic 6:9-11; Lk 3:14; Jas 5:1-6.
4. Lk 12:15; Eph 5:5.
5. Prov 21:20; 23:20, 21; Lk 16:10-13.

111. Q. What does God require of you  
in this commandment?

A. I must promote my neighbour's good  
wherever I can and may,  
deal with him  
as I would like others to deal with me,  
and work faithfully  
so that I may be able to give  
to those in need.

1. Is 58:5-10; Mt 7:12; Gal 6:9, 10; Eph 4:28.