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LESSON 16: THE NINTH AND TENTH COMMANDMENTS

Gather with your household each day for a time to be formed by God's Word. God's Word connects your faith to your life. Here are some simple steps for how to properly receive God's gifts together in the Word. Pick a time to do this each day.

- 1. Run through the memory work for this week once or twice (if you have some).
- 2. Make the sign of the cross and remember how God has called you to be His own through your Baptism. Say a prayer for the Holy Spirit to form your faith.
- 3. Consider saying the Lord's Prayer or using an order of daily devotion from the hymnal.
- 4. Find the Bible verse for the day in your Bible. Highlight the verse and read it out loud at least twice.
- 5. Consider the question, and talk through together how God's Word helps you answer the question.
- 6. Say a prayer, including telling God what you've learned from His Word, but also thanking Him for what you've been given, confessing your sins, and praying for specific needs. Then, go your way in peace.
- **Day 1—**Micah 2:1–2 What are some examples that you see in the news of people taking advantage of others? How is this related to coveting?
- **Day 2—**Hebrews 13:5–6 Think through the different types of temptations that come in your life when you love money too much.
- **Day 3**—Philippians 2:4 Imagine: what good could you do for your neighbor if you were simply content with what you had in life?
- **Day 4**—Colossians 3:5 How is coveting something just like worshiping an idol? What are the big idols that people tend to covet today?
- **Day 5**—Philippians 4:8 How can thinking about Jesus, and His gift of salvation, help us overcome our temptations to covet our neighbor's things and relationships?

Parent Signature: _____

Date: ___

By signing this, you confirm that your household did participate in memory work and family prayers to help form your confirmand in God's Word. If you were unable to do so for whatever reason, please let your leader know.

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