**“More than a feeling – loving your neighbor”**

Going deeper in Exodus 20:15-17

**INTRODUCTION** The previous verses have reminded us about the primary importance of our relationship with God. Then commandments 5, 6, and 7 have reminded us of the importance of honoring our parents as well as the fact that murder and adultery are not part of life that God designed us for.

**READ** – *Read (passage) aloud. Read it several times. Listen for what the Spirit of God is saying, don’t just think about it.* 15 No stealing. 16 No lies about your neighbor. 17 No craving and trying to acquire your neighbor’s house, spouse, servant, maid, ox or donkey or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

**ENGAGE** – *Questions for going deeper. God is speaking… to you.*

1. What would the world be like if everyone followed the ten commandments?

2. How would violating any of these three commandments effect one’s relationship with their neighbor?

3. Have you ever experienced something being stolen from you? What did you feel about whoever might have done it?

4. Have you ever experienced someone lying about you? How did that effect your relationship with them?

5. Read Ephesians 4:25-33. How are these verses related to the last 6 commandments? How do these verses help you with the commandments?

6. What are areas the Lord is calling you to work on?

**PRAY** – *God has spoken. So, reply.*

\*Praise the Lord for his desire for good healthy relationships with him and with others.

\*Ask the Lord for forgiveness for ways that you have fallen short on the 10 commandments.

\*Thank him for his grace and ask him to empower you to live with the integrity lined out in the 10 commandments

**LIVE** – *This is where the rubber hits the road.*

We are called to be content with what we have and to use our words to build up others. How are you being called to do that this week?