

8. What right does this commandment protect?
9. How does this commandment protect the larger community of the church?
10. Is there something from the message you want to discuss that is not included here as part of the study? Also, take time to reflect on the theme verses of Romans 5:20-21.

Response – Making it Practical



1. Have you ever been on the receiving end of false rumours that were being spread about you? What did you learn from the experience?
2. What is the one lesson from this study that you can implement into your life today?

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Life Group Study Notes

It can slip so easily from our tongue, but once released it becomes impossible to retrieve or control. Why is it so easy to fabricate and lie?



In this message, we look at the ninth commandment, and discover how it helps to guard and defend a key area of our lives - our character.

Study – Discovering What the Bible Says?



Study Based on Exodus 20:16

1. What was the major takeaway for you from last week's study?
2. What was stressed in the message about the nature of the Ten Commandments?

With God, _____ always precedes the _____.
3. What is the operational value that forms the foundational basis for this commandment?

4. What are the two areas of application? (See Exodus 23:1-3; Lev 19:16; Deut 19:16-21; Proverbs 11:9; 16:28; 17:9)
 - a. The _____ of _____
 - b. The _____ of _____

Read Matthew 12:36-37 (If time permits, see James 3:2-10)

5. According to Jesus, what are the ramifications of the things we say?
6. What are four questions to ask before speaking negatively about another person?
 - a. Is it _____? (Lev 19:16; Deut 19:15; Prov 18:17)
 - b. Is it _____? (Prov 11:12-13; 26:17)
 - c. Is it _____? (Eph 4:15)
 - d. Is it _____? (Prov 16:28; Matt 18:15-17; Eph 4:29)
7. What is at the heart of this commandment? Why is it easy to speak ill of another person?