

You Shall Not Covet....
Will That Your Neighbor Enjoy
His or Her Own.¹

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Secrets of Heaven

Emanuel Swedenborg

[Forms of goodness that are related to these two commandments:]

1. [Love the Lord and the neighbor above self and the world.]²
2. [Allow the Lord to build a will of love within you.]³
3. [Allow the good of faith and a desire for that good to reign within you.]⁴
4. Desire [what is] good.⁵
5. [Entertain] affection [for] good.⁶
6. [Entertain affection for what is good and true.]⁷
7. [Have a will for good.]⁸
8. [Allow a love for good and a will for good be central goals in your life.]⁹
 - a. [Let them be your very life.]¹⁰
9. [Will and intend what is good.]¹¹
 - a. A person is such as his or her will is.¹²
 - b. The will is the person him- or herself.¹³
10. [Allow love, mercy, peace, and goodness to come forth from a heart that has been given to you by the Lord.]¹⁴
11. [Allow a will for good to go forth into speech and act.]¹⁵
12. [Do what is good.]¹⁶
13. [Notes:]
 - a. Will and deed are not at variance. The deed [is] in the will and the will [is] in the deed.¹⁷
 - b. [It is] like endeavor and motion.¹⁸
 - 1) Motion is...continual endeavor. When endeavor ceases, motion ceases.¹⁹
 - 2) Therefore there is nothing essential in motion except endeavor. [Endeavor is the essential element within motion.]²⁰
 - 3) Endeavor in a person is will, and motion in him or her is action.²¹
 - 4) Endeavor and motion in a person are living.²²
14. [Allow people to enjoy the] goods of love and the truths of faith [and support these things in them].²³
 - a. [Allow people to enjoy the following things, and support these things in them:]²⁴
 - 1) Good (in general) [meant by "house" in this commandment].
 - 2) Truth (in general) [meant by " wife" in this commandment].

- 3) Affection for spiritual truth [meant by "manservant" in this commandment].
- 4) Affection for spiritual good [meant by "maidservant" in this commandment].
- 5) Affection for earthly good [meant by "ox" in this commandment].
- 6) Affection for earthly truth [meant by "donkey" in this commandment].

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[Forms of goodness that are related to not coveting your neighbor's house:]

1. Charity toward the neighbor from the Lord.²⁶
2. [Desires that flow from love of the neighbor.]²⁷
3. [Allow people to enjoy their own houses and their own goods.]²⁸
4. [Allow people to enjoy their] possessions and wealth.²⁹
5. Desire [that a person enjoy what is his or her own].³⁰
 - a. [Note: That which is a person's own is also meant by a person's "house" in this commandment.]³¹
6. Love [what is] good.³²
7. [Entertain] affection [for good].³³
8. [Desire, long for, and will what is good.]³⁴

[Forms of goodness that are related to not coveting your neighbor's wife, etc.:]

1. Love to the Lord³⁵
2. [A love of governing or ruling from a love of useful service.]³⁶
3. Desire [that a person enjoy what is his or her own]³⁷
4. [Note: Things that are a person's own include the following:]³⁸
 - a. Affection for spiritual truth and good [meant by "wife" in this commandment].
 - b. Affection for rational truth and good serving the spiritual [meant by "manservant" and "maidservant" in this commandment].
 - c. Affection for earthly good and truth [meant by "ox" and "donkey" in this commandment].
5. [Desires that flow from love of the Lord]³⁹

[Final note:]

1. [All goods and the truths therefrom flow from love of the Lord and love of the neighbor.]⁴⁰

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[Opening notes:]

1. [Goods are to be done.]⁴²
2. [They are also to be wished for, desired, and willed.]⁴³
3. [Note: Good] pertains not only to the external person but also to the internal.⁴⁴
4. [Note:] The internal things of the church [have to do with a desire for what is good].⁴⁵

[Forms of goodness that are related to these two commandments:]

1. [Desire and will all forms of good that are related to the preceding commandments.]⁴⁶
2. [Desire things that are in harmony with] the spirit.⁴⁷
3. [Desire] the spiritual things of the church.⁴⁸
4. [Desire] charity and faith.⁴⁹
5. [Allow your] internal and external person [to be] one.⁵⁰
 - a. [Note:] This is being born anew.⁵¹
6. [Therefore] be born anew, [that is] be regenerated and...become internal...from the Lord.⁵²
7. [Allow the desires] of the flesh [to be linked to and governed by] the affections, desires, and delights of the spirit.⁵³

[Notes on affections of the spirit:]⁵⁴

1. Affections of the spirit are such as angels have, and therefore [they] are to be called truly human.
2. For this reason,...so far as a person satisfies the desires of the spirit, he or she is a human being and an angel.
 - a. [Therefore, satisfy the desires of the spirit.]
3. Affections of the spirit [may be compared to...]
 - a. Juicy and delicious grapes; also to the taste of the wine that is pressed from them.
 - b. Stables where there are noble horses, sheep, and lambs.
 - c. Gold.
 - d. Silver.
 - e. Rubies.

4. [By comparison,] the lusts of the flesh [are like]...
 - a. Shriveled and dried up grapes and wild grapes.
 - b. Stables where there are asses, goats, and swine.
 - c. Dross.
 - d. Limestone.
 - e. Coral.

[The connection between heavenly desire and action:]⁵⁵

1. [Heavenly desire and action] are connected like blood and flesh or like flame and oil.
2. [Heavenly desire] is within the deed as...
 - a. Air from the lungs is in breathing or in speaking.
 - b. Wind in the sail when the vessel is in motion.
 - c. Water on the wheel that gives motion and action to machinery.

Endnotes

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- ¹ TC 330
 - ² SH 8909, 8910:1
 - ³ SH 8910:1
 - ⁴ SH 8910:5
 - ⁵ SH 8910:1, 8911
 - ⁶ SH 8910:1-2
 - ⁷ SH 8910:5
 - ⁸ SH 8910:6
 - ⁹ SH 8911
 - ¹⁰ SH 8911
 - ¹¹ SH 8910:1, 8911
 - ¹² SH 8911
 - ¹³ SH 8911
 - ¹⁴ SH 8867, 8910:2
 - ¹⁵ SH 8910:3
 - ¹⁶ SH 8910:3
 - ¹⁷ SH 8911
 - ¹⁸ SH 8911
 - ¹⁹ SH 8911
 - ²⁰ SH 8911
 - ²¹ SH 8911
 - ²² SH 8911
 - ²³ SH 8912
 - ²⁴ SH 8912 unless otherwise noted
 - ²⁵ TC 330
 - ²⁶ AE 949:3
 - ²⁷ AE 1020:2, 1022:3
 - ²⁸ AE 935:2, 949:3
 - ²⁹ AE 1020:2
 - ³⁰ AE 1022:2
 - ³¹ AE 1022:2
 - ³² AE 1020:2
 - ³³ AE 1020:2
 - ³⁴ AE 1020:2, 1022:3
 - ³⁵ AE 949:3
 - ³⁶ AE 935:2, 949:3
 - ³⁷ AE 1022:2
 - ³⁸ AE 1022:2 unless otherwise noted
 - ³⁹ AE 1020:2, 1022:3
 - ⁴⁰ AE 1022:3
 - ⁴¹ TC 330
 - ⁴² TC 326
 - ⁴³ TC 326
 - ⁴⁴ TC 326
 - ⁴⁵ TC 326
 - ⁴⁶ TC 326, 327
 - ⁴⁷ TC 327
 - ⁴⁸ TC 327
 - ⁴⁹ TC 327
 - ⁵⁰ TC 326
 - ⁵¹ TC 326
 - ⁵² TC 326
 - ⁵³ TC 328
 - ⁵⁴ TC 328 unless otherwise noted

⁵⁵ TC 328 unless otherwise noted