

**Delight in All Righteousness**

**Heidelberg Catechism, Lord's Day 44a**

1. **YOU SHALL NOT COVET:** The Catechism argues that the tenth commandment serves as a kind of \_\_\_\_\_ of what our attitude should be toward all of God's law.

- a. Most narrowly, the tenth commandment forbids wrongly ordered \_\_\_\_\_ for something that is not yours.
- b. More broadly, the tenth commandment forbids desiring \_\_\_\_\_ that is contrary to God's law.

What causes quarrels and what causes fights among you? Is it not this, that your passions are at war within you? <sup>2</sup>You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel. You do not have, because you do not ask. (James 4:1-2)

So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband who was with her, and he ate. (Genesis 3:6)

- c. Before moving on to the broader idea, let's be \_\_\_\_\_ to appreciate the seriousness of covetousness in particular.

Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. (Colossians 3:5)

Cf. 1 Timothy 6:6-10

2. **WHY HATE SIN:** We hate sin because...

- a. It is contrary to God's \_\_\_\_\_ (Deuteronomy 5:6-10).
- b. It is offensive to God's \_\_\_\_\_ (Psalm 5:4).
- c. It leads to \_\_\_\_\_ (Proverbs 14:11-12).
- d. It hurts \_\_\_\_\_ and ourselves (Proverbs 13:13, 20).
- e. It doesn't \_\_\_\_\_ (Proverbs 5:1-6).
- f. It doesn't \_\_\_\_\_ (Psalm 39:5-6).

3. **WHY DELIGHT IN RIGHTEOUSNESS:** We delight in righteousness because...

- a. It is life in tune with \_\_\_\_\_ (Psalm 119:105).
- b. It is life in fellowship with \_\_\_\_\_: as humans in general, as the church in particular (Acts 2:42-47).
- c. It is the life of fellowship with \_\_\_\_\_ in Christ by the Spirit (John 17:2-3).
- d. It is the in tune with that which is \_\_\_\_\_.