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There are many ways in which people steal. List out as many examples of theft, fraud, and stealing as you can think of.

Which of these forms of stealing tend to be more socially acceptable, and which are more broadly condemned by our society?

Why does our culture not treat all forms of stealing equally? How does this fit with the teachings of scripture?

Why is stealing wrong?

Why does God want his people to be a people who are defined by a commitment not to steal?

Have you ever stolen something (large or small)?

What motivated you? How did you justify it?

Have you ever been the victim of theft (large or small)?

Describe the experience, how did it make you feel?

Why do we often tend to minimize the severity of theft when we are the perpetrators of theft, but then maximize the severity of theft when we are the victims?

How does privileging ourselves in this way conflict with the Second Great Commandment to love your neighbor as yourself (Lev 19:18)?

Are there thefts (of commission or omission) of which you are guilty and from which you need to repent?

If so, how can you actively work toward restitution?

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