

PURLOINED PIE

Pie baking for the Terrene Pies R Round Festival is interrupted when someone steals one of the pies. Who is the culprit?

Let's Get Started

Episode Theme: You Shall Not Steal (Eighth Commandment)

- 1. Exodus 20:15 tells us not to steal. Why do you think people steal? What is the opposite of stealing?
- 2. <u>Matthew 19:1-10</u> tells the story of Zacchaeus. He was a tax collector for the Romans. He was wealthy and always wanted more. Zacchaeus admitted that he stole from his neighbors. When he collected taxes, he kept some of the money for himself. Zacchaeus was also a short man. When Jesus met Zacchaeus, his neighbors were being mean to him by blocking him from seeing Jesus. But Jesus saw him. Zacchaeus knew what he had done was wrong. Jesus forgave him, but he also showed Zacchaeus the cure for stealing: giving back. As you listen to this episode, think about how stealing hurts relationships with others.

Memory Verse

¹⁵ Do not steal. **Exodus 20:15**

After You Listen

In this episode Liz and Lucille had to be reminded that stealing is a sin. In the Bible, there are over 50 verses warning people not to steal. Stealing happens just as much now as it did then. And the reason for stealing is the same . . . we want MORE!

Have you ever wanted more . . . More . . . MORE of something? Sometimes this wanting MORE can get crazy until it's all you think about! But wanting MORE can lead to stealing. Do you know what the answer for always wanting MORE is? Giving!

Paul the New Testament writer knew some people who wanted MORE, and were willing to steal for it. In <u>Ephesians 4:28</u>, he tells them, "Anyone who has been stealing must steal no longer, but must work, doing something useful with their own hands, that they may have something to share with those in need."

Want to dig deeper and learn more about wanting MORE? Check out <u>Leviticus 6:1-5</u>, <u>Acts 5:1-10</u> and <u>John</u> 12:6.

Challenge

Even if you have not been stealing, take some time to use your hands make something to give away to someone else. Do some baking, draw a picture, or make a friendship bracelet. Making things for other people helps you resist the urge to get things only for yourself.

Take the Episode Quiz

Question 1: What is the name of the festival being held in Terrene?

Answer: The Pies-R-Round Festival.

Question 2: Who stole the pie from the Iguanas?

Answer: Scooter.

Question 3: Who stole the pie from Daddy Oh's?

Answer: Lucille.

Question 4: How did the thief pay back the Iguanas for the pie he stole?

Answer: He cleaned up their kitchen.

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