

# Small Group Discussion Guide

“Top Ten” (pt. 6) – 07.19.15

**Scripture:** Exodus 20:14; Matthew 5:27-28

**Bottom Line:** We are called to enjoy God's gifts and point to his faithfulness.

## **INTRODUCTION:**

Pastor Adam discussed the first vehicle he drove as a teen. Summer is a great time to take a cruise with your ride! Share what your first vehicle was with your group? Why did you love it or hate it?

## **UNPACKING THE GOSPEL IN THE BIBLE:**

**Read Exodus 20:14; Matthew 5:27-28**

### **1) How does Jesus define adultery?**

- a. Not just an act, but a condition of our hearts.
- b. Can be as simple as looking at someone with lust.

### **2) What do these passages reveal about why God's created sex?**

- a. Procreation - sex was meant to be life giving.
- b. Pleasure - sex was meant to be enjoyable.
- c. Power - meant to unite people in God, identity and trust.

### **3) Why does God love sex between husband and wife?**

- a. God loves safety - Sex is so powerful, that it can do irreparable damage (Prov. 5:15)
- b. God loves freedom - Guilt-free, shame-free sex is the best (Gen. 2:25)
- c. God loves married sex - (Matthew 19:4)

### **4) What is it about adultery that breaks the heart of God?**

- a. It's painful, destructive, discourages discipleship, idolatry, selfishness, pride, etc.
- b. All of these things are against God's faithfulness and freedom that he offers.

## **LIVING OUT THE GOSPEL IN MY EVERYDAY LIFE:**

### **1) How does the 7th commandment give as a mirror and a window into who God is?**

- a. Mirror: Reveals that we are all guilty of adultery and in need of a Savior.
- b. Window: Helps us to see that God is perfectly faithful.

### **2) What should we do when we face the temptation of adultery?**

- a. Fall on your knees before Jesus who is full of grace and strength.
- b. Fight in the power of the Holy Spirit.
- c. Flee whatever or whomever is tempting you towards adultery.
- d. Pray Psalm 51