

Table Group Time:

- 1. Take a moment to share highs and lows from the week.
- 2. Take time to pray for one another. Pray for joys, concerns, hopes, struggles
- 3. Share a time that you were caught in a lie or hurt by a lie.
- 4. Make a list of all the ways that telling a lie can cause trouble:

The Eighth Commandment

Define each of the following:

Lie:

Slander:

Betray:

Gossip:

Reputation:



What impact in your life today are connected to these words:

<u>Key Point :</u>

"For it is a common evil plague that <u>everyone prefers hearing evil more than hearing good about</u> <u>his neighbor</u>. We ourselves are so bad that we cannot allow anyone to say anything bad about us. <u>Everyone would much prefer that all the world should speak of him in glowing terms</u>. Yet we cannot bear that the best is spoken about others."

- Do you agree or disagree that we prefer to hear evil about others than good? Why?

- Do you agree that you want everyone to speak of you in glowing terms? What does this cause us to do?

"For there is nothing on or in a person that can do both greater and more extensive good or harm in spiritual and in temporal matters, than the tongue." - How has what others have said to you done great good or great harm?

- Martin Luther

Key Verze.

Read Matthew 7:1-5, 12

- What does this verse say about judging others?
- What is the problem we have when we try to be judges?
- When is it that you think someone can remove a speck from someone else's eye?

Write out a summary of the verses below and draw an image to represent how they connect with the eighth commandment:

Psalm 140:3

Proverbs 11:13

Isaiah 5:20

<u>Matthew 18:15</u>

Ephesians 4:25

1 Peter 4:8

