

The Commandments and The Lord's Prayer.

ARRANGED IN INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE SUNDAYS AFTER TRINITY

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Twelfth Sunday after Trinity (SEPTEMBER 12).

'The Tenth Commandment.'—*Contentedness*.—1 Kings xxi. 1-20; 1 Timothy vi. 6; Hymns 290, 286.

A. 'Thou shalt not covet' (or desire) your neighbour's—

1st. things—*e.g.* 'house'

2nd. persons—*e.g.* { 'wife'
'serrant'
'maid'

3rd. animals—*e.g.* { 'ox'
'ass',
4th. 'anything that is his.'

B. Ahab the Covetous

Verse 1. had a grand palace
" 2. yet coveted a little kitchen garden
" 4. sulky
" 5. listened to the temptress
" 8. lets her manage him

Verse 13. becomes a murderer
" 16. as well as a thief
" 18. has no peace in his possession
" 19. comes to a miserable end

- C. 1. How does the Catechism explain the Tenth Commandment?—'Not to covet or desire other men's goods.'
2. When we steal or bear false witness, with what do we sin?—With our hand or tongue.
3. But when we covet, with what do we sin?—With our heart.
4. Does your neighbour know when you covet?—No, but God does, Who knows the heart.
5. Whom do you hurt when you covet?—Myself.
6. What is the opposite to covetousness?—Contentedness.
7. What does The Wise Man say about this?—'A contented mind is a continual feast.'

Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity (SEPTEMBER 19).

'The Eleventh Commandment.'—*Love*.—S. John xiii.; Leviticus xix. 18.—Hymns 274, 24.

A. How many Commandments have been given to us Christians?

Ten—given through Moses,

One—given through Christ, which is—'A new Commandment give I unto you, that ye love one another.'

We must love—

- 1st. Our relations. Illustration—David's love to his parents and brothers.—1 Samuel xxii. 1, 3.
2nd. Our friends. Illustration—David's love to Jonathan.—1 Samuel xx.
3rd. Our enemies. Illustration—David's love to Saul.—1 Samuel xxiv.
4th. Every one. Illustration—David's love to all the people.—2 Samuel xxiv. 17.

B. See S. John xiii. for history of 'Maundy Thursday,' i.e. the Thursday of the 'Mandate' or Commandment given in verse 34.

Love taught us by JESUS:—

Verse 1. in His departing by a cruel death
" 3. in His knowing all things, and yet going through all His sufferings
" 5. in His humbly washing His disciples' feet

Verse 11. in His knowing Judas and yet washing his feet
" 15. in His teaching His disciples
" 28. in His not betraying Judas
" 38. in His warning to Peter

C.

1. What is the Eleventh Commandment?—'Love one another.'
2. Sum up all the Eleven Commandments.—'Thou shalt love the Lord thy God, and thy neighbour as thyself.'
3. Who is my neighbour?—Everybody.
4. What does S. Paul say about Love and the Law?—'Love is the fulfilling of the Law.'
5. What does S. Paul say about this?—'Charity never faileth.'
6. What does he mean by 'Charity'?—The same as Love.
7. How may you show your love to—your relations?—your friends?—your enemies?—everyone?