

BENEVOLENCE. SELFISHNESS.

The fifth commandment embodies the complying with the wishes of others from the right kind of motives. It is the commandment of benevolence.

EXERCISE II.

1. Was Naboth right or wrong in refusing to give up his property to king Ahab. 2. What are the two Latin words from which the term *benevolence* comes? 3. Give an example of two truly benevolent men mentioned in history. 4. How would you classify the affection that existed between David and Jonathan? 5. Is the giving of money to a good object always an act of benevolence? 6. Give instances of the right kind of benevolence? 7. What was there to blame in Jehosaphat's alliance with Ahab? 8. Discuss Ruth's conduct towards her mother-in-law, Naomi, in terms of the true definition of benevolence. 9. Discuss the conduct of David and Absalom towards each other in terms of the fifth commandment. 10. Give two events mentioned in Scripture which illustrate the benevolence of women. Narrate the stories.

FORBEARANCE. RUDENESS.

The fifth commandment is the commandment of good manners. It approves of the characteristics of the true lady and gentleman, such as courtesy, civility and meekness, and disapproves of irritability, malignity, and spiteful behaviour.