

Laws Expounding on the Ninth Commandment (Perverting Justice)

"You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor." - Exodus 20:16

Outline:

I. Justice and the _____ (23:1-5)

A. 6 Cases:

1. Not spread = lift up/carry. The point: guilt for false witnesses is owned by both originators and _____.
2. Not join hands. The malicious witness is one who seeks violence upon the defendant and enters into an _____ bond with evil doers. (Proverbs 1:8-19, 2:12-15)
3. Not...side with the many. The mob is rarely _____. Sometimes justice demands that you stand _____.
4. Not be partial to a poor man. Compassion is not a _____ for justice. (Leviticus 19:15)
5. The enemy's ox and 6. The burdened donkey. You are not allowed to be governed by what you _____. You must return _____ for _____. (Romans 12:14-21)

* Notice the movement from _____ to _____. The law is to be godly _____ for society.

II. Justice and the _____ (23:6-8)

A. 3 Cases:

1. Do not pervert the justice due to your poor.
2. Do not kill the innocent. (1 Kings 21)

* Always remember that there is a _____ court.

3. Do not take a bribe.
 - a) Sometimes though, you can _____ a bribe. (Proverbs 17:8, 21:14)

III. Justice and the _____ (23:9)

A. 1 Case:

1. Do not oppress a sojourner.
 - a) God counts on the community to stop the individual from being oppressive.