

LEARN CONTENTMENT

Blueprint – Part 10

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“You shall not covet your neighbor’s house. You shall not covet your neighbor’s wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.”

Exodus 20:17 (NIV)

I. WHY CONTENTMENT MATTERS

A. Coveting Leads Us Into Sin

“We are tempted by our own desires that drag us off and trap us. Our desires make us sin, and when sin is finished with us, it leaves us dead.”

James 1:14-15 (CEV)

B. Coveting Can’t Deliver

C. Coveting Cheapens Life

“I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.”

John 10:10 (NIV)

D. Coveting Replaces God

II. THE KEY TO CONTENTMENT

Fill Our Life With God

“...a man ran up to [Jesus] and fell on his knees before him. ‘Good teacher,’ he asked, ‘what must I do to inherit eternal life?’ ‘Why do you call me good?’ Jesus answered. ‘No one is good - except God alone. You know the commandments: Do not murder, do not commit adultery, do not steal, do not give false testimony, do not defraud, honor your father and mother.’ ‘Teacher,’ he declared, ‘all these I have kept since I was a boy.’ Jesus looked at him and loved him. ‘One thing you lack,’ he said, ‘Go, sell everything you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me.’ At this the man’s face fell. He went away sad, because he had great wealth.”

Mark 10:17-22 (NIV)

“Jesus looked at him and loved him.”

Mark 10:21 (NIV)

“He went away sad, because he had great wealth.”

Mark 10:22 (NIV)

“I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances. I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. I can do everything through him who gives me strength.”

Philippians 4:11-13 (NIV)