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SERMON: Overcoming Envy SERIES: Twenty-Three

OVERCOMING ENVY

Psalm 23:1-6 (NKJV)

1. ENVY DEVALUES OUR SELF-WORTH.

2 CORINTHIANS 10:12 For we dare not class ourselves or compare ourselves with those who commend themselves. But they, measuring themselves by themselves, and comparing themselves among themselves, are not wise.

2. ENVY OPENS THE DOOR FOR EVIL.

JAMES 3:14-16 But if you have bitter envy and self-seeking in your hearts, do not boast and lie against the truth. ¹⁵ This wisdom does not descend from above, but is earthly, sensual, demonic. ¹⁶ For where envy and self-seeking exist, confusion and every evil thing are there.

3. ENVY SEPARATES US FROM THE SHEPHERD.

HOW DO WE OVERCOME ENVY AND FIND REST? (Simple Answer: Eyes off others and on Jesus)

1. YOU GET YOUR SELF-WORTH FROM THE SHEPHERD.

1 PETER 1:18-19 For you know that God paid a ransom to save you from the empty life you inherited from your ancestors. And the ransom he paid was not mere gold or silver. ¹⁹ It was the precious blood of Christ, the sinless, spotless Lamb of God.

2. YOU SEE OTHERS THROUGH THE **SHEPHERD'S EYES.**

ROMANS 12:15 (NLT) Be happy with those who are happy, and weep with those who weep.

1 SAMUEL 23:17 (NIV) "Don't be afraid," he said. "My father Saul will not lay a hand on you. You will be king over Israel, and I will be second to you.

4. YOU STOP SEEING GOD AS **SMALL**.