

Ten^X Talks The Secret to Being Content

Sermon Notes

God the Father loves us Jesus forgives us from our sin The Holy Spirit gives us new desires

Exodus 20:17 (ESV) You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor's.

Covet: to desire MORE than "enough"

The only reason you covet what you don't have, is because you're not content with what you do have.

Hebrews 13:5 (ESV) / Luke 12:15 (ESV) / Col 3:5 (ESV) / James 4:1-3 (ESV) / 1 Tim 6:6 (ESV)

Covetousness causes Resentment toward God

Covet Much?

- 1) Are you preoccupied with making or accumulating more?
- 2) Do you regularly complain or grumble about what you have?
- 3) Are you unwilling to give up what you have?
- 4) Have you ever hurt others in order to get more for yourself?
- 5) Do you find yourself regularly comparing yourself to others?
- 6) Can you rejoice with other's success?

Contentment vs. Contention

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Philippians 4:11-13 (ESV) / Psalm 37:4 (ESV)

Discussion Questions

- 1) What impacted you the most from this week's message? Encouraged you? Challenged you?
- 2) Read Hebrews 13:5. How does trusting that God will "never leave you nor forsake you" factor in to your ability to resist the temptation to covet?
- 3) Read Luke 12:15. What does is look like for you to guard yourself from covetousness? Why do you think Jesus was so passionate about helping us in this area?
- 4) Look over the six questions in the sermon. Which ones speak the loudest to where you've been in the past, and where you currently are?
- **5)** Read Philippians 4:11-13 and Psalm 37:4. How would you describe the secret to being content? What does it look like for you to delight in the Lord? Would you consider yourself as someone who is content with your life?