

Pastor Luke Uran – August 16, 2020

SERMON NOTES AND SCRIPTURE

Exodus 20:17

17 "You shall not covet your neighbor's house. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his male or female servant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor."

Exodus 20:17 (MSG)

17 No lusting after your neighbor's house—or wife or servant or maid or ox or donkey. Don't set your heart on anything that is your neighbor's.

Matthew 6:33

33 But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well

Psalm 37:4

4 Take delight in the LORD,

and he will give you the desires of your heart.

James 4:1-10

What causes fights and quarrels among you? Don't they come from your desires that battle within you? 2 You desire but do not have, so you kill. You covet but you cannot get what you want, so you quarrel and fight. You do not have because you do not ask God.

3 When you ask, you do not receive, because you ask with wrong motives, that you may spend what you get on your pleasures.

4 You adulterous people, don't you know that friendship with the world means enmity against God? Therefore, anyone who chooses to be a friend of the world becomes an enemy of God.

5 Or do you think Scripture says without reason that he jealously longs for the spirit he has caused to dwell in us? 6 But he gives us more grace. That is why Scripture says:

"God opposes the proud

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but shows favor to the humble."
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7 Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. 8 Come near to God and he will come near to you. Wash your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. 9 Grieve, mourn and wail. Change your laughter to mourning and your joy to gloom. 10 Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up.

Coveting is admitting that God is not enough.

Two Questions:

- 1. What are the things that I desire and put before the Lord?
- 2. What have the Ten Commandments taught me about the heart of God, and how have I changed because of it?

GROUP DISCUSSION

Over the course of the sermon series on the Ten Commandments, what has God shown you about Himself? What has He shown you, about you?

Where there parallels between the Old and New Testaments that you had not seen before? If so, what where they?

Is it difficult to identify coveting in your life? What are some of the things, if you are honest, that you struggle with coveting?

What does coveting do to our relationship with Jesus and those around us?

Are there things you desire and put before the Lord? If so, what are they?

Have you sensed a wedge between you and the Lord because of this issue?

How can our group pray for you?