

Lovin the Law – Don't Covet, Be Happy

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Hebrews 13:5-6 (NIV) – “Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have, because God has said, ‘Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you’. So we say with confidence, ‘The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can mere mortals do to me?’”

“I cannot under the influence of this grand text find room for doubt or fear. I cannot stand here and be miserable tonight. I am not going to attempt such a thing; but I cannot be despondent with such a text as this, ‘I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee’. I defy the devil himself to mention circumstances under which I ought to be miserable if this text is true. Child of God, nothing ought to make you unhappy when you can realize this precious text” – **Charles Spurgeon**

Hebrews 13:5-6 (NKJV) - “Let your conduct be without covetousness; be content with such things as you have. For He Himself has said, ‘I will never leave you nor forsake you’. So we may boldly say: ‘The Lord is my helper; I will not fear. What can man do to me?’”

Exodus 20:17 (NIV) – “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”.

“Covetousness works like this: the eyes look upon an object, the mind admires it, the will goes after it, and the body moves in to possess it. Just because you have not taken the final step does not mean you are not in the process of coveting right now” – **David Guzik**

Deuteronomy 5:21-22 (NIV) – “You shall not covet your neighbor’s wife. You shall not set your desire on your neighbor’s house or land, his male or female servant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor”. These are the commandments the Lord proclaimed in a loud voice to your whole assembly there on the mountain from out of the fire, the cloud, and the deep darkness; and He added nothing more. Then He wrote them on two stone tablets and gave them to me.

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“God didn't simply present us with a set of instructions. God chose to invest His wisdom and will in the Torah and to entrust the human mind with the task of deducing and comprehending the divine teachings and commandments it contains. This way, we aren't just receiving His wisdom in the abstract. Rather, the Torah itself becomes part of our own intellect, our very selves” – *Rabbi Yehuda Shurpin*

Proverbs 4:23 (NIV) – “Above all else, guard your heart, for everything you do flows from it”.

Philippians 4:10-13 (NIV) – “I rejoiced greatly in the Lord that at last you renewed your concern for me. Indeed, you were concerned, but you had no opportunity to show it. I am not saying this because I am in need, for 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 all this through Him who gives me strength”.

Psalms 34:8 (NIV) – Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed is the one who takes refuge in Him”.

Ephesians 5:5 (NKJV) – “For this you know, that no fornicator, unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, has any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and God”.

Luke 12:13-15 (NIV) – Someone in the crowd said to Him, “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me”. Jesus replied, “Man, who appointed me a judge or an arbiter between you?” Then He said to them, “Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; life does not consist in an abundance of possessions”.

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Luke 12:18-21 (NIV) – “Then he said, ‘This is what I’ll do. I will tear down my barns and build bigger ones, and there I will store my surplus grain. And I’ll say to myself, “You have plenty of grain laid up for many years. Take life easy; eat, drink, and be merry”’. But God said to him, ‘You fool! This very night your life will be demanded from you. Then who will get what you have prepared for yourself?’ This is how it will be with whoever stores up things for themselves but is not rich toward God”.

“Hold material goods and wealth on a flat palm and not a clenched fist” –
Alistair Begg

Matthew 26:26-28 (NIV) – While they were eating, Jesus took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples, saying, “Take and eat; this is my body”. Then He took a cup, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you. This is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins”.