



## DEFEATING ENVY

Various Scripture // Dr. Ron Jones

“Never before have so many had so much while still wanting more.” KAROL MARKOWICZ, *AMERICA’S UGLY EPIDEMIC OF SOCIAL MEDIA ENVY*, NY POST

“O, beware, my lord, of jealousy; it is the green-eyed monster which doth mock.” SHAKESPEARE, *OTHELLO*

*“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.”* EXODUS 20:17 ESV

- \_\_\_\_\_ 2 SAMUEL 11
- \_\_\_\_\_ GENESIS 4
- \_\_\_\_\_ GENESIS 37
- \_\_\_\_\_ 1 SAMUEL 18:6-9

*If it had not been for the law, I would not have known sin. For I would not have known what it is to covet if the law had not said, “You shall not covet.” But sin, seizing an opportunity through the commandment, produced in me all kinds of covetousness. For apart from the law, sin lies dead.* ROMANS 7:7-8

*Surely vexation kills the fool, and jealousy slays the simple.* JOB 5:2 ESV

Psalm 37:1-2, Proverbs 14:30, 23:17, 1 Corinthians 13:4, James 3:14-16

## **Ways to Defeat Envy**

1. Give \_\_\_\_\_.

*Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!*

1 CHRONICLES 16:34 ESV

*Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.*

1 THESSALONIANS 5:18 ESV

2. Learn \_\_\_\_\_.

*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."*

HEBREWS 13:5, LUKE 3:14, 2 CORINTHIANS, 12:10, 1 TIMOTHY 6:6-8

*For I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances.*

PHILIPPIANS 4:11 ESV

"Contentment is realizing that God has already given me everything I need for my present happiness. Contentment is understanding that if I am not satisfied with what I have, I will never be satisfied with what I want." BILL

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