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Seven - Envy

When is the first time you can remember feeling envious or jealous of someone or something?

Read: 2 Corinthians 10:12, Exodus 20:17

How can comparison be helpful for us?

The issue with envy is always “better”. Either - I am better than you, or you are so much better than me that I have to compensate.

What is wrong with either of those statements?

Read: Exodus 20:17, James 3:16

How does envy or covetousness cause so much trouble?

Agree or Disagree: When we have Jesus we have all we ever need, and everything we want all at the same time.

4 Steps to Ending Envy

1. Trust what God says about you.

Read: Psalm 46:10, Psalm 139:13-15, Luke 12:6-7

What are some other scriptures that you use to remind yourself of who God says you are?

Why is it a good practice to reacquaint yourselves with these passages often?

2. Ask God to sanctify (set apart) your desires.

Read: 1 Timothy 3:1, Psalm 37:4, Psalm 145:19, Colossians 3:2

Are any of our desires good? Which ones?

How do we know when our desires aren't good?

When we desire Christ and His pleasure above all else, envy loses its power and we will find our freedom and happiness comes back in return. How have you found this to be true?

Is it hard to give your desires, hopes, and dreams over to God? Why or why not?

3. Acknowledge the Blessings of God in your life.

Read: James 1:17, 1 Thessalonians 5:18, Psalm 118:24

If we aren't thankful for what we have, should we expect God to bless us with more?

What is the one thing in life you take for granted the most?

What are you the most thankful for?

4. Learn to take joy in other people's blessings.

A mark of a true disciple is to be genuinely happy for people who get the blessing you had hoped to receive.

Read: Romans 12:15-18, Romans 13:9, Philippians 2:3, Psalm 5:12

What does being happy for people have to do with loving them?

If God chooses to bless someone, why do we think it's our right to criticize that?

What is one thing, relating to this lesson, that we can pray for for you tonight?