

**DO NOT COVET**  
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# LIVE WELL

THERE'S SO MUCH MORE TO LIFE

## *KEY SCRIPTURE*

### **DEUTERONOMY 5:33**

Walk in obedience to all that the LORD your God has commanded you, so that you may live well and prolong your days in the land that you will possess.

### **DEUTERONOMY 5:21**

"Do not covet your neighbor's house. Do not covet your neighbor's wife, male or female servant, ox or donkey, or anything else your neighbor owns."

### **PROVERBS 23:4**

Do not wear yourself out to be rich; have the wisdom to show restraint.

### **PROVERBS 22:7**

The borrower is the slave of the lender.

### **JAMES 4:1**

What causes fights and quarrels among you? Don't they come from the desires that battle within you?

### **ECCLESIASTES 5:10**

You will never be satisfied if you long to be rich. You will never get all you want.

### **1 THESSALONIANS 5:18**

Be thankful in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you who belong to Christ Jesus.

### **2 CORINTHIANS 10:12**

We dare not classify or compare ourselves...it is not wise.

## *NOTES*

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# DISCUSSION GUIDE

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Coveting might be the easiest commandment to get away with, but it's damaging to our souls. It's a heart issue. No one will know if you covet. No one finds out. But happiness is not getting whatever you want. Happiness is enjoying what God has given you and learning to be thankful in all situations.

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Are there items that you tend to have an uncontrolled desire for? What safeguards do you need to put in place to ensure those desires don't get out of control?
2. There are five effects of coveting: fatigue, debt, worry, conflict, and dissatisfaction. Which ones tend to affect you the most and why?
3. Read **2 Corinthians 10:12**. In today's society, we are defined more and more by social media. It's easy to always be comparing when people post only the best parts of their lives online. What can you do to resist comparing yourself to everyone else around you?
4. Coveting is resenting God's goodness in someone else's life and ignoring God's goodness in our own. Examine your own life and make a list of how God has been good to you. Share 2-3 things you're thankful for with your small group, friend or family member. Keep this list somewhere visible this week as a reminder of God's goodness.

## CHALLENGE

This week, ask God to help you be content with who he's made you to be.

## COMMIT TO MEMORY

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