

Squaw Creek Baptist Church, Marion, IA.
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SERMON OUTLINE 1/14/07

BIBLE PASSAGE: *Exodus 20:17; Philippians 4:4-13*

TITLE: “LEARN TO BE CONTENT”

INTRO:

1. Commandments 6-9 appear on other law codes but #10 is unique to Judaism.
2. “Do not covet,” requires the sacrifice of self-will and also the determination of _____ holiness.
3. A covetous person is always looking for greener grass, craves the possessions and experiences of others, and sees the world only as it _____ his needs.

PROPOSITION: God wants us to be content with who we are and what we have. Are you content?

I. COVETOUSNESS WILL NOT BRING SATISFACTION AND JOY TO YOUR LIFE.

- A. It _____ One Of Fulfillment And Joy.
1. *Hebrews 13:5, 6/Psalm 23.*
 2. *I Timothy 6:3-10/II Corinthians 4:18.*
- B. It _____ One Toward Trouble And Misery.
1. *Proverbs 15:16-21.*
 2. *Hebrews 2:8-10/Proverbs 14:30.*

II. COVETOUSNESS WILL DRAG YOU DOWN.

- A. It Leads To _____.
1. *David/Bathsheba, II Samuel 11:1-5.*
 2. The _____ of a broken man,
Psalm 51:1-4/Proverbs 23:17.

B. It Leads To _____ Priorities And _____
Decisions.

1. *Micah 2:1, 2.*
2. *James 3:16/Matthew 5:5, 6.*

III. COVETOUSNESS IS DESTRUCTIVE.

A. It _____ Spiritual Growth.

1. *Colossians 3:5-10.*
2. *I Peter 2:1-3.*

B. It _____ Envy, Hatred, And Strife.

1. *James 4:1-3.*
2. *Titus 3:1-5.*

IV. COVETOUSNESS IS DECEPTIVE.

A. It _____ On Wealth And Possessions, *Luke 12:13-15.*

B. It _____ On The Success Of Others.

1. *Cain & Abel...*
2. *Saul & David...*

V. GOD WANTS US TO BE CONTENT.

A. Contentment Is A _____ /LEARN.

1. _____ comparing, *Hebrews 13:5, 6; Philippians 4:10-12.*
2. _____ the person He has made you, *Psalm 139:13-16.*
3. _____ God and His truth, *John 10:10/Philippians 3:7, 8.*

B. Contentment Brings Lasting _____, *Philippians 4:4-9, 13, 19; Psalm 73:23-26; Psalm 84:10, 11.*

CONCLUSION:

1. Will you seek Him? *II Chronicles 15:1-4.*
2. Do you know Christ?