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The Law of Contentment

Parts 1-4

"It's healthy to be <u>content</u>, but envy will eat you up."

PROVERBS 14:30 (CEV)

"It is better to be <u>satisfied with what you have</u> than to be always wanting something else."

ECCLESIASTES 6:9 (GN)

THE EFFECT OF ALWAYS WANTING MORE

"Do not <u>wear yourself out</u> to be rich; have the wisdom to show restraint."

PROVERBS 23:4

"The more you have, the more people come to help you spend it. So what is the advantage of wealth—except perhaps to watch it run through your fingers!"

ECCLESIASTES 5:11 (NLT)

"A working man...can get a good night's sleep. But the rich man has so much that he stays awake <u>worrying</u>."

ECCLESIASTES 5:12 (GN)

"A greedy man brings trouble to his family."

PROVERBS 15:27

"People who <u>long to be rich</u> fall into temptation and are trapped by many foolish and harmful desires that plunge them into ruin and destruction."

1 TIMOTHY 6:9 (NLT)

"If you love money, <u>you will never be satisfied</u>; if you long to be rich, you will never get all you want. It is useless."

ECCLESIASTES 5:10 (GN)

"It's foolish to think wealth brings happiness!" (LB)

"I have <u>learned</u> the secret of being content ... whether living in plenty or in want." PHILIPPIANS 4:12

HOW TO LEARN CONTENTMENT

	"We do not dare <u>classify or compare</u> ourselvesit is not wise."
	2 CORINTHIANS 10:12
	"You shall not <u>covet</u> anything that belongs to your neighbor."
	EXODUS 20:17
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"Jesus said, 'Watch out and guard yourselves from every kind of greed; because your true life is not made up of the things you own, no matter how rich you may be."

LUKE 12:15 (GN)

"O God, I ask for two things from you before I die: First, help me never to tell a lie. Second, give me neither poverty nor riches! Give me just enough to satisfy my needs. For if I grow rich, I may deny you and say, 'Who is the Lord?' And if I am too poor, I may steal and thus insult God's holy name."

PROVERBS 30:7-9

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"We <u>fix our attention</u>, not on the things that are seen, but on things that are unseen. What can be seen lasts only for a time; but what cannot be seen lasts forever."

2 CORINTHIANS 4:18