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**Finding Freedom In The Ten
Commandments**

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Exodus 20:17

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

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Coveting is defective desiring.

THE CONSEQUENCES OF COVETING

Covetousness is the first step to sin

Covetousness is at the heart of most sin.

THE CONSEQUENCES OF COVETING

Covetousness cheapens life

James 4:1-2a

What is causing quarrels and fights among you? Isn't it the whole army of evil desires at war within you? You want what you don't have, so you scheme and kill to get it. You are jealous for what others have, and you can't possess it, so you fight and quarrel to take it away from them.

THE CONSEQUENCES OF COVETING

Covetousness fails to bring contentment

Ecclesiastes 6:7

All people spend their lives scratching for food, but they never seem to have enough.

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Luke 12:15

Then he said, “Beware! Guard against every kind of greed. Life is not measured by how much you own.”

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“Never has a culture experienced such physical comfort combined with such psychological misery. Never have we felt so free or had our prisons so overstuffed. Never have we been so sophisticated above pleasure or so likely to suffer broken relationships.”

THE CONSEQUENCES OF COVETING

Covetousness dethrones God's leadership

Mark 10:21-22

Looking at the man, Jesus felt genuine love for him. "There is still one thing you haven't done," he told him. "Go and sell all your possessions and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me."

²² At this the man's face fell, and he went away sad, for he had many possessions.

HOW TO CURB YOUR CRAVING

Go after gratitude

1 Timothy 6:6-10

Yet true godliness with contentment is itself great wealth. ⁷
After all, we brought nothing with us when we came into
the world, and we can't take anything with us when we
leave it. ⁸ So if we have enough food and clothing, let us
be content.

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9 But people who long to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many foolish and harmful desires that plunge them into ruin and destruction. **10** For the love of money is the root of all kinds of evil. And some people, craving money, have wandered from the true faith and pierced themselves with many sorrows.

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Go after God

Philippians 4:11-13

“...I have learned how to get along happily whether I have much or little. I know how to live on almost nothing or with everything. I learned the secret of living in every situation, whether it is with a full stomach or empty, with plenty or little. For I can do everything with the help of Christ who gives me the strength I need.”

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Psalm 16:11

You will show me the way of life, granting me the joy of your presence and the pleasures of living with you forever.

