***The 10th Commandment***

***Exodus 20:17 (NLT) — 17*** *“You must not covet your neighbor’s house. You must not covet your neighbor’s wife, male or female servant, ox or donkey, or anything else that belongs to your neighbor.”*

**Covet:** To have a deep desire for or pant after.

**Cause:**

***Habakkuk 2:5 (NLT) — 5*** *Wealth is treacherous, and the arrogant are never at rest. They open their mouths as wide as the grave, and like death, they are never satisfied. In their greed they have gathered up many nations and swallowed many peoples.*

***Proverbs 23:4–8 (NLT) — 4*** *Don’t wear yourself out trying to get rich. Be wise enough to know when to quit.* ***5*** *In the blink of an eye wealth disappears, for it will sprout wings and fly away like an eagle.* ***6*** *Don’t eat with people who are stingy; don’t desire their delicacies.* ***7*** *They are always thinking about how much it costs. “Eat and drink,” they say, but they don’t mean it.* ***8*** *You will throw up what little you’ve eaten, and your compliments will be wasted.*

***Jeremiah 17:9 (NLT) — 9*** *“The human heart is the most deceitful of all things, and desperately wicked. Who really knows how bad it is?*

**Consequences:**

***James 4:1–2 (NLT) — 1*** *What is causing the quarrels and fights among you? Don’t they come from the evil desires at war within you?* ***2*** *You want what you don’t have, so you scheme and kill to get it. You are jealous of what others have, but you can’t get it, so you fight and wage war to take it away from them. Yet you don’t have what you want because you don’t ask God for it.*

***James 3:16 (NLT) — 16*** *For wherever there is jealousy and selfish ambition, (coveting in other words) there you will find disorder and evil of every kind.*

***1 Timothy 6:9–10 (NLT) — 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.*

***James 4:4 (NLT) — 4*** *You adulterers! Don’t you realize that friendship with the world makes you an enemy of God? I say it again: If you want to be a friend of the world, you make yourself an enemy of God.*

**Cure:**

***Psalm 51:10–12 (NLT) — 10*** *Create in me a clean heart, O God. Renew a loyal spirit within me.* ***11*** *Do not banish me from your presence, and don’t take your Holy Spirit from me.* ***12*** *Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and make me willing to obey you.*

***Psalm 119:33–38 (NLT) — 33*** *Teach me your decrees, O Lord; I will keep them to the end.* ***34*** *Give me understanding and I will obey your instructions; I will put them into practice with all my heart.* ***35*** *Make me walk along the path of your commands, for that is where my happiness is found.* ***36*** *Give me an eagerness for your laws rather than a love for money!* ***37*** *Turn my eyes from worthless things, and give me life through your word.* ***38*** *Reassure me of your promise, made to those who fear you.*

***Matthew 16:24 (NLT) — 24*** *Then Jesus said to his disciples, “If any of you wants to be my follower, you must give up your own way, take up your cross, and follow me.*

***Matthew 6:19–21 (NLT) — 19*** *“Don’t store up treasures here on earth, where moths eat them and rust destroys them, and where thieves break in and steal.* ***20*** *Store your treasures in heaven, where moths and rust cannot destroy, and thieves do not break in and steal.* ***21*** *Wherever your treasure is, there the desires of your heart will also be.*

**Covet the Lord:**

***Psalm 34:8–10 (NLT) — 8*** *Taste and see that the Lord is good. Oh, the joys of those who take refuge in him!* ***9*** *Fear the Lord, you his godly people, for those who fear him will have all they need.* ***10*** *Even strong young lions sometimes go hungry, but those who trust in the Lord will lack no good thing.*

***Next Steps for Growth:***

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| \_\_I want to begin to follow Jesus today  \_\_I am interested in membership.  \_\_I would like to be baptized. | \_\_ I would like to join a life group  \_\_ Number of people from our family to attend building project luncheon\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. |

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I am a: \_\_\_1st time guest \_\_\_2nd time guest \_\_\_Regular Attendee \_\_\_Member (taken membership class & committed to membership covenant)

Prayer Requests/Praise Items: \_\_ Put this on the prayer chain.

Request for Assistance \_\_