

10th Commandment



Read Exodus 20:17 & Deut. 5:21.

What is God's tenth command? Write out the repeated phrase.



Read the passage: *FCF - The 10th Commandment*

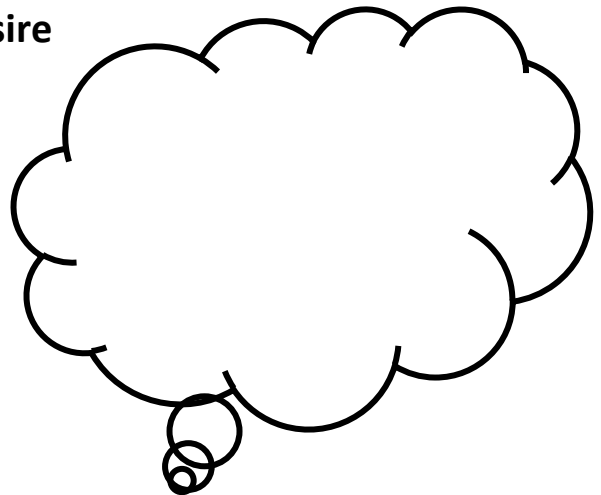
The 10th Commandment tells us: (Check all that apply.)

- what God expects & honors
- how we are to treat each other
- how we should earn what we desire



Meaning of Covet

Google "covet". Then list as many phrases describing the meaning of "covet" as you can find in the thought bubble.





Coveting

What are the 7 examples of coveting used in Ex. 20:17? Draw each item in one of the boxes below & label it.

<i>Do not covet...</i>			



What Do We Covet?

Rank these items in order of how people commonly covet them today, 1 being the most coveted and 12 being the least coveted.

___ education

___ specific vehicle

___ friendships

___ beauty

___ money

___ freedom

___ power

___ job or position

___ recognition

___ fame

___ attention

___ house



True or False?

- ___ God intends for all of us to have the same wealth.
- ___ Competition is related to coveting.
- ___ Coveting is the opposite of contentment with God's will.
- ___ Advertising is more informative than persuasive.
- ___ It is possible to lie to yourself about coveting.
- ___ Satan wants us to desire the things of this world.
- ___ Ambitious goal setting is the same as coveting if goals are not within God's will for you.
- ___ We can learn God's will for us by following Him closely, learning more of His plan, & keeping His commandments.



Understanding Coveting

Lust is linked with _____ and _____.

_____ follow lust. If you _____ it, and _____ on it, _____ will generally follow.

Coveting can lead to other sins such as:

How does coveting hurt our relationships with God?

What does God want us to seek rather than wealth, fame, & power?

How does advertising promote coveting?

How is coveting related to competition?

Why should we seek God's will for our lives rather than our own desires?



Contentment is the opposite of coveting. What does this picture show about contentment?

What are 3 ways you can learn contentment?

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Find 2 scriptures related to contentment. List them below.



Coveting

List 6 words that reflect God’s view of coveting. Each word is featured in the reading passage. The first letter of each has been done for you.

S _____ G _____ I _____
O _____ P _____ W _____



Scriptural Support for the 10th Commandment

Complete the table below showing how each passage is related to the 10th Commandment.

Passage	How It Relates to the 10 th Commandment
Luke 12:15	
I John 2:16-17	
Mark 7:21-23	
Romans 6:16	
Matthew 6:20-21, 33	



*“I wish I had that,
and he didn’t.”*



True or False?

- ___ Practicing contentment allows us to focus more on God.
- ___ Coveting does not easily lead to other sins.
- ___ Godliness with contentment is great gain.
- ___ Jesus & His disciples model contentment.
- ___ A focus on gaining wealth and maintaining wealth is a form of coveting.
- ___ Contentment allows us to trust God more.



T-Chart

Create a T-chart showing the differences between coveting and goal setting for something you desire to purchase or attain.

Coveting	Goal Setting

How does the image on the first page relate to coveting?

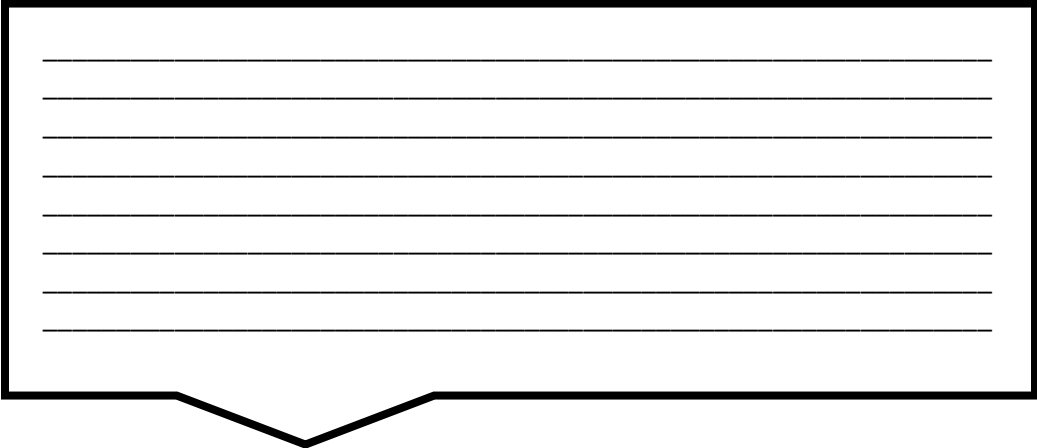


To Covet or Not to Covet?

All your friends have gotten the latest _____. You really want one too. A girl in your class has the best one of all & THAT is the one you want. You think about it day & night. What should you do?

It just isn't fair. It's hard to understand how your older sibling got his or her own room when you do not. You already have the room planned out in your mind the way you would organize & decorate it. If only he or she would decide to live somewhere else or hurry up & go to college. What should you do?

You have a cleaning job at a wealthy person’s home. You notice that as you dust each piece of furniture, you find yourself longing for it. How would you respond to this in a godly manner?



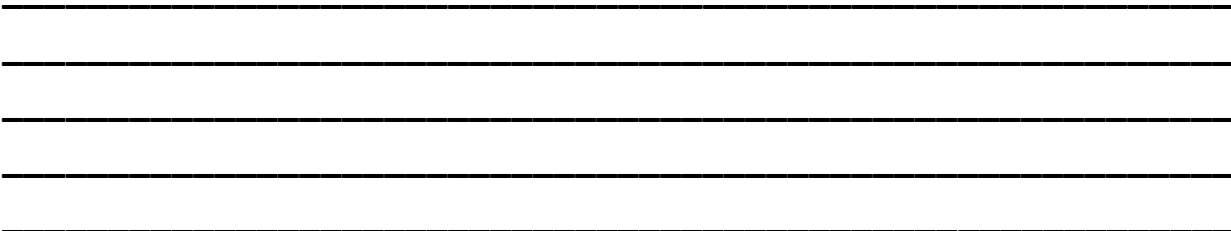
A large rectangular box with a pointed bottom, containing several horizontal lines for writing.

Tell about a time when you coveted something. Describe how it made you feel about yourself & toward the person who had it.



Four horizontal lines for writing.

Is it OK to obsess over your dream house on the other side of town or the boat sitting in your neighbor’s driveway? Why / why not?



Five horizontal lines for writing.

whatever is...
true noble pure
right admirable lovely
if anything is
excellent or praiseworthy
think about such things.
PHILIPPIANS 4:8

Now godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out. And having food and clothing, with these we shall be content. 1 Timothy 6:6-8

What does the verses above have to do with the 10th Commandment?

How is giving related to contentment?

[Philippians 4:11-12 ESV](#)
Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned **in whatever situation I am to be content**. I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need.



Self-Reflection

How can Christians overcome the temptation to covet since it can happen quite easily?

HOW IS YOUR WALK?



Rate Yourself

Rate YOUR level of contentment according to God's standards on a scale of 1 (not close at all) to 10 (very close).

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As with keeping all the commandments, we all have need for improvement in the area of coveting. Below, list 3 things you commit to doing to overcome in this area of your life.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____