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Sermon Title: "The Danger of Discontent"

Series: "Guardrails for Living"

Text: Exodus 20:17

"You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor's."

- ***The Danger of Covetousness (Ex. 20:17)***
- Material Covetousness
- Relational Covetousness
- Why is covetousness so dangerous?
- *Desire*
- *Distraction*
- *Destruction*

Example: 1 Kings 21: Ahab and Naboth's vineyard.

Ecclesiastes 5:10- "He who loves money will not be satisfied with money, nor he who loves wealth with his income; this also is vanity."

- ***The Delight of Contentment (1 Tim. 6:6-10)***

"But godliness with contentment is great gain,<sup>7</sup> for we brought nothing into the world, and<sup>al</sup> we cannot take anything out of the world.<sup>8</sup> But if we have food and clothing, with these we will be content.<sup>9</sup> But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation, into a snare, into many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction.<sup>10</sup> For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evils. It is through this craving that some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pangs."

Heb. 13:5: "Keep your life free from love of money, and be content with what you have, for he has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you."

Psalm 73:25-26

Whom have I in heaven but you?

And there is nothing on earth that I desire besides you.

My flesh and my heart may fail,

but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.