



I AM GOD'S EARTH: God is creating me. I started as dust, but I'm becoming like Jesus. I rejoice in trials and hardships because Christ suffered for me, and I am a living sacrifice transformed by the truths of God.

EVERY TRAGIC HERO HAS A FATAL FLAW...

BENEATH THE 10 COMMANDS:

- 1-2 I am unsatisfied with God-as-he-is and desire my own ideas of God
3 I am unsatisfied with the force of my words and desire to inject extra power into them
4 I am unsatisfied with my level of accomplishment and desire to just work harder
5 I am unsatisfied with those in authority over me and desire to go my own way
6-9 I am unsatisfied with the pathway of my life and desire to take some shortcuts
10 I let dissatisfaction infect my life.

You shall not covet your neighbor's wife. You shall not set your desire on your neighbor's house or land, his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Deuteronomy 5:6-21

ILL: AS A CHILD, I HAD NO REAL IDEA WHAT THIS MEANT

What shall we say, then? Is the law sin? Certainly not! Indeed I would not have known what sin was except through the law. For I would not have known what coveting really was if the law had not said, "Do not covet."

Romans 7:7

ASIDE ON "SIN":

But your iniquities have separated you from your God; your sins have hidden his face from you, so that he will not hear.

Isaiah 59:2

Sin in our hearts prevents us from living the life God designed for us.

Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us.

Hebrews 12:1

TODAY'S COMMAND CUTS DEEPEST, BUT REVEALS THE GREATEST BLESSING.

DIGGING INTO COMMAND #10

PAUL: I NEVER WOULD HAVE KNOWN // OUTLAWING DESIRE SEEMS IRRATIONAL // "DESIRE" WORDS CHAMAD: desire (often to possess), delight

For he has crushed and abandoned the poor; he has seized a house that he did not build. Because he knew no contentment in his belly, he will not let anything in which he delights escape him.

Job 20:19-20

AVAH: desire, long for, crave

The rabble with them began to crave other food, and again the Israelites started wailing and said, "If only we had meat to eat!"

Numbers 11:4

IT'S SINFUL TO HAVE "STRONG DESIRE" FOR SOMEONE'S STUFF // WHERE'S THE LINE? // SEARS NEARLY ALL DESIRES ARE DANGEROUS

DIG LEVEL 1:

desire => want => lack

ILL: WHEN I'M DISSATISFIED, I DO THE CRAZIEST THINGS LIKE EAT CANDY WHEN I'M THIRSTY

"The Want" is the symptom of me missing something.

DIG LEVEL 2:

When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing [AVAH] to the eye, and also desirable [CHAMAD] for gaining wisdom, she took some and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it.

Genesis 3:6

"The Want" puts me at odds with God.

ILL: iPod ILLUSTRATION

...but each one is tempted when, by his own evil desire, he is dragged away and enticed. Then, after desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, gives birth to death.

James 1:14-15

THE SOLUTION:

SOLUTION TO ALL SIN, SECRET TO SPIRITUAL GROWTH

Recognize the Value of God.

NOW SHOW NANO, TOUCH, IPAD, DO YOU STILL WANT THE SHUFFLE? // SUPREMACY OF GOD WHEN WE CONTEMPLATE A THING OF GREAT VALUE, LESSER THINGS FADE AWAY!!

Be filled with Him through Christ.

For in Christ all the fullness of the Deity lives in bodily form, and you have been given fullness in Christ, who is the head over every power and authority... having been buried with him in baptism and raised with him through your faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. When you were dead in your sins and in the uncircumcision of your sinful nature, God made you alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins, having canceled the written code, with its regulations, that was against us and that stood opposed to us; he took it away, nailing it to the cross. And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross.

Colossians 2:9-15

Delight yourself in the LORD and he will give you the desires of your heart.

Psalms 37:4

REFLECTION PRAYER // IF YOU HAVE NEVER GIVEN YOUR HEART TO JESUS...