*Series: The Big Ten*

From Coveting to Contentment

**Exodus 20:17**

**Philippians 4:11-13**

I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances. I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. I can do everything through Him who gives me strength.

**1 Timothy 6:6-10**

Godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that. People who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge men into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.

**1 Timothy 6:17-19**

Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share. In this way they will lay up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age, so that they make take hold of the life that is truly life.

**Romans 13:8-10**

Let no debt remain outstanding, except for the continuing debt to love one another, for he who loves his fellow man has fulfilled the law. The commandments, “Do not commit adultery, do not murder, do not steal, do not covet”, and whatever other commandment there may be, are summed up in this one rule: “Love your neighbor as yourself.” Love does not harm to its neighbor. Therefore love is the fulfillment of the law.

Hope-work:read the story of Achan and the defeat of Israel

**Judges 7 and 8**

Write your observations about coveting and trusting the Lord