

I Wish My Life Was

Blank Space

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envy

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Why is envy so bad?

What can we do to put an end to it?

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As they were coming home, when David returned from striking down the Philistine, the women came out of all the cities of Israel, singing and dancing, to meet King Saul, with tambourines, with songs of joy, and with musical instruments. And the women sang to one another as they celebrated,

“Saul has struck down his **thousands**, and **David** his **ten thousands.**” And Saul was very angry, and this saying displeased him. He said, “They have ascribed to David ten thousands, and to me they have ascribed thousands, and what more can he have but the kingdom?”

And Saul eyed David from that day on.

1 Samuel 8:6-9

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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.

1 Timothy 6:6-8

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And I saw that all labour and all achievement spring from man’s envy of his neighbour. This too is meaningless, a chasing after the wind.

Ecclesiastes 4:4

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A tranquil heart gives life to the flesh, but envy
makes the bones rot.

Proverbs 14:30

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**What can we do to
put an end to it?**

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Love.

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As soon as he had finished speaking to Saul, the soul of Jonathan was knit to the soul of David, and Jonathan **loved** him as his **own soul**. And Saul took him that day and would not let him return to his father's house. Then Jonathan made a covenant with David, because he loved him as his own soul.

1 Samuel 18:1-3

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And Jonathan stripped himself of the **robe** that was on him and gave it to David, and his **armour**, and even his **sword** and his **bow** and his **belt**.

1 Samuel 18:4

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Jesus.

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Let's expose our inner struggle with envy to the Physician of our souls. Envy is a tumour we dare not ignore. Let's invite the Physicians' scalpel and allow Him to excise it. If ignored, envy can become a terminal illness to the joyful soul.

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