

Lesson 10 of The Mirror Series

# More Than Enough

Unpacking the 10th Commandment: The illusion of coveting and the power of divine sufficiency.

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# The Anatomy of Hamad

The Tenth Commandment states: "You shall not covet..." (Exodus 20:17). But what does this word actually mean in its original context?

## Hamad



### To Desire & Delight

An intense focus on the pleasantness or beauty of someone else's life.

### To Obsess

An insatiable lust for delectable things that belong to another.

### To Grasp

The toxic shift from passive admiration to an active, unjust demand to possess.

# The Illusion of the Greener Grass

Covetousness is fundamentally a failure of perspective. It compares our internal reality with someone else's external highlight reel.

## The Mirage

Luxury and  
supreme status.



Effortless  
companionship  
and romance.



Beautiful tomatoes  
and tulips effortlessly  
blooming.



## The Expensive Car

## The Perfect Marriage

## The Flourishing Garden

## The Mirror



Working nine jobs and  
giving up peace and  
health just to pay for  
the gas.



Behind closed doors,  
silently living in a  
personal hell.



Hidden struggles, different  
soil, and hours of unseen,  
back-breaking labor.

# The Twin Symptoms of a Misaligned Heart

The 10th commandment addresses a specific heart condition. When the heart loses sight of God's sufficiency, it swings between two destructive emotional extremes.

## Ungratefulness

A severe lack of contentment. Never being satisfied with one's own blessings; a total inability to see the abundance already present in your life.

## Contentment

## Insatiable Jealousy

Obsessing over a neighbor's possessions, status, or income to the devastating point of causing your own family to go without just to acquire it.

# Case Study: A Flaw in Perfection

Coveting isn't an earth-bound problem born from lack. The story of Lucifer (Ezekiel 28) proves that a perfect environment does not cure covetousness—only a transformed heart can.

## The Position

Created as the seal of perfection, full of wisdom, adorned with every precious stone.

## The Privilege

The covering cherub, stationed in the very presence of the Almighty, veiling God's glory.

## The Pivot

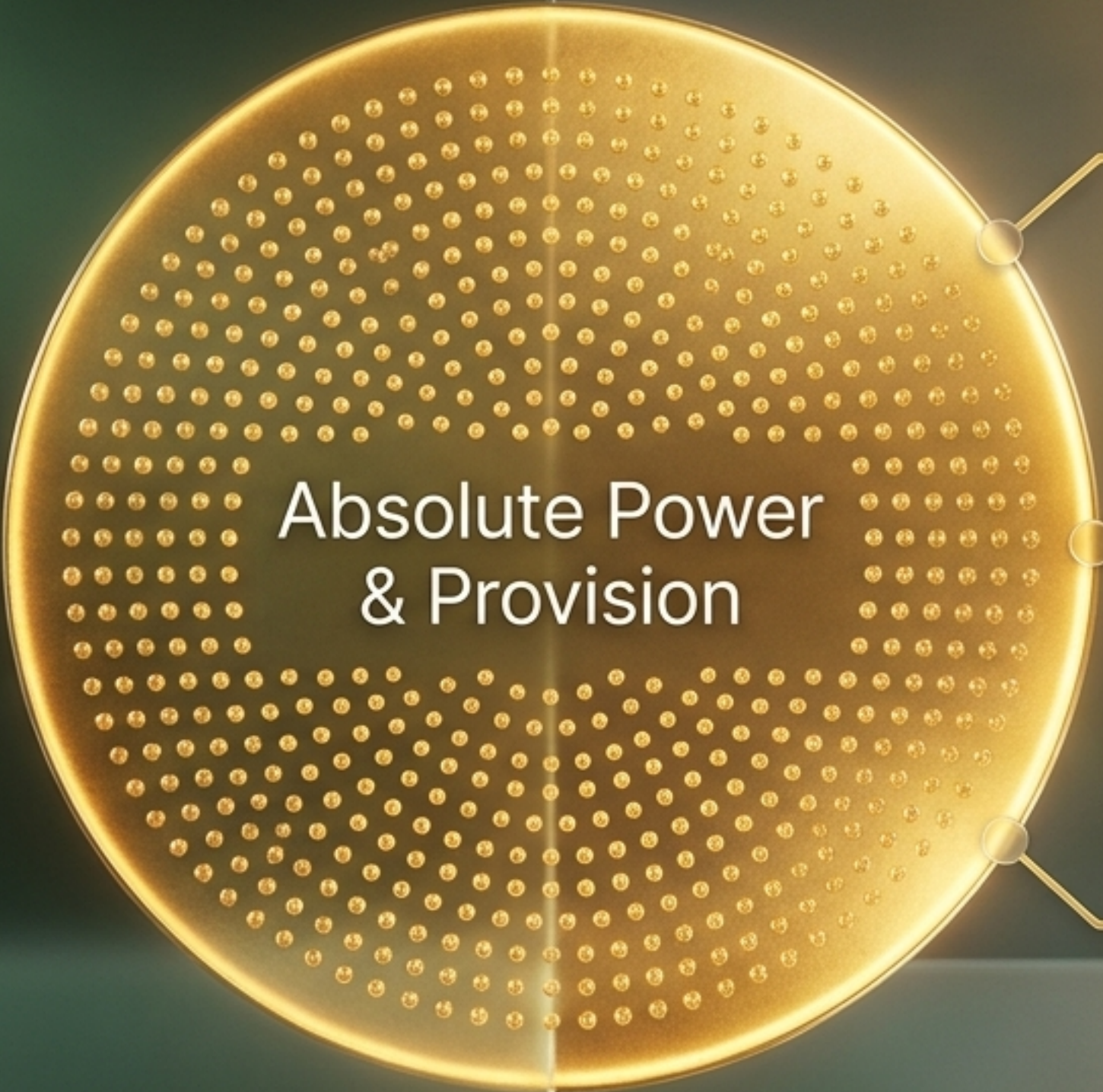
"Until iniquity was found in you."

## The Diagnosis

He wasn't jealous of other angels. He had everything at his footstool but was destroyed by coveting the one position he could not have—God's throne.

# The David Syndrome

King David possessed everything the ancient world could offer, yet coveting blinded him to his own absolute abundance.



Absolute Power  
& Provision

If he wanted a cool drink, it was fetched immediately.

If he wanted a patty with cheese, he got it.

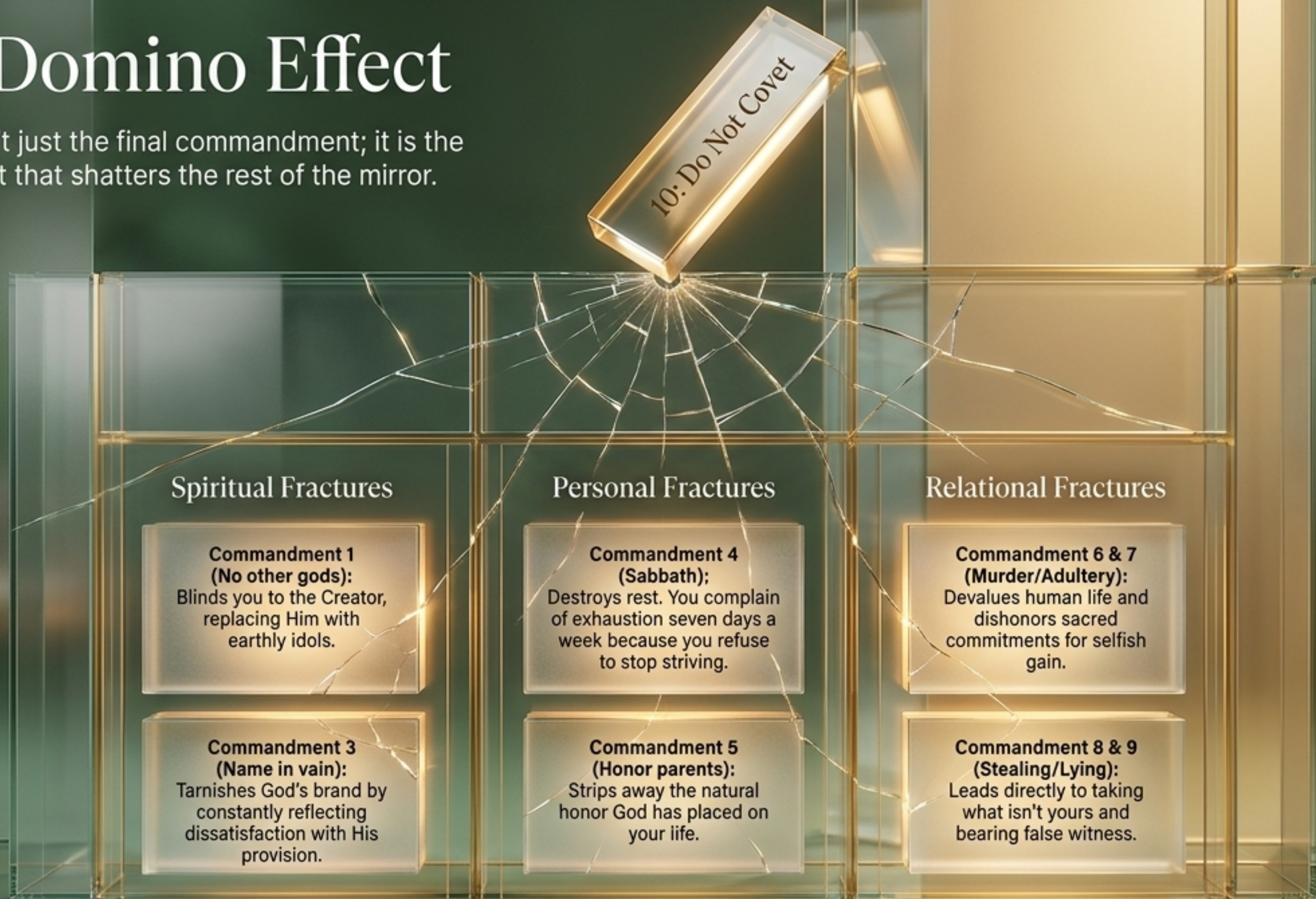
If he wanted vegetarian oxtail, his chefs prepared it.

## The Forbidden

Downfall occurred the exact moment his heart fixated on the one single thing that did not belong to him.

# The Domino Effect

Coveting isn't just the final commandment; it is the toxic catalyst that shatters the rest of the mirror.



# True wealth is not measured in accumulation

The mirage whispers that accumulation brings joy. The mirror of the New Testament reflects a different reality: true peace is found only in contentment.

*"Take care, and be on your guard against all covetousness, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions."*

— Luke 12:15



*"Keep your life free from the love of money, and be content with what you have, for he has said, I will never leave you or forsake you."*

— Hebrews 13:5

If your life's singular purpose is merely to build and accumulate stuff, you will miss the entire joy of living.

# The Danger of the Grape Jelly Mirage



As a child, Pastor Walin had a peanut butter and jam sandwich but coveted his friend Javan's peanut butter and grape jelly sandwich.

After trading for it, he found he couldn't even swallow it.

**The Reality Check:** When he complained to his father, the response shattered the illusion:

"Do you know how many people are on the street who can't even get a peanut butter sandwich to eat? And you're worrying about grape jelly?"

Coveting makes us ungrateful for our own daily miracles simply because they don't look exactly like our neighbor's.

## The Mirage



# Trusting the Author's Timing

Sometimes what we covet isn't material; it's a season of life we aren't in yet.

## The Mirror

### 1 The Wait



After a painful divorce, Pastor Walin wrote a highly specific list of what he desired in a wife, placed it in his Bible, and chose to wait on God.

### 2 The Revelation



He later discovered that his future wife had simultaneously made her own list, and they matched perfectly.

### 3 The Principle



When you trust God, He doesn't open the door when you want. He opens the door when it is right. He will provide a blessing you didn't even know you were looking for.

# He is More Than Enough

The ultimate cure for coveting is recognizing that no matter what void you feel, God embodies the exact, perfect provision for that lack.



# Earthly Hustle vs. Heavenly Inheritance

What you covet on this earth is always small compared to the scale of the God you serve.

## Man's Best

The absolute best humanity can build are roads of black asphalt and walls of plywood and drywall.

## God's Baseline

When God builds a road, He paves it with gold. When He builds a wall, He constructs it from jasper.

You may not become Canada's next millionaire, but in Christ, you are heaven's next billionaire. Stop settling for the mirage.

# From Grasping to Resting

The Tenth Commandment is not just a restriction; it is an invitation to lay down the exhausting, heavy burden of comparison.



Coveting traps us in a prison of insatiable jealousy and chronic ungratefulness.

It shatters our peace and acts as the domino that topples our relationship with God and others.



The ultimate cure is trusting that God's grace, timing, and character are perfectly calibrated for your life.

**If all you had is Jesus, you've got more than enough.**