What's Your Problem? Dealing with Envy James 3:13-18

I. The Problem of Envy

- A. Part of Original Sin Romans 1:29; 1 Peter 2:1
- B. Draws You Away from God John 5:44; 1 Corinthians 3:1-3
- C. Makes You Miserable Proverbs 14:30
- D. Leads to Other Sins James 3:16; Mark 15:10
- E. Can Keep You Out of Heaven Galatians 5:19-21; 1 Corinthians 6:9-11
- F. Ultimately Destructive Job 5:2

II. Understanding Envy

- A. Envy and Jealousy Proverbs 27:4
- **B.** Godly Jealousy
 - i. God is a Jealous God Exodus 34:14; Deuteronomy 32:16; 1 Corinthians 6:19; James 4:5
 - ii. Godly Jealousy for God Psalms 119:136; Acts 17:16
 - iii. Godly Jealousy for Other Believers 2 Corinthians 11:2-3
 - iv. Godly Jealousy in Marriage Song of Solomon 8:6

C. Sinful Envy and Jealousy

- i. Sibling Rivalry Genesis 37:4; Acts 7:9
- ii. Professional Jealousy Samuel 18:8-9
- iii. Coveting and Comparing Ecclesiastes 4:4; Proverbs 14:10; Galatians 6:4
- iv. Evil Thoughts Towards Others Proverbs 24:17
- v. Envying the Wicked Psalms 37:1-4
- vi. Causing Others to Envy 2 Corinthians 12:5-6; Galatians 5:26

III. Dealing with Envy

- A. Confess It as Sin James 3:14
- B. Accept Your Calling Acts 17:26; Psalms 75:6-7
- C. Love God and Others Matthew 22:37-39; 1 Corinthians 13:4; Romans 12:15
- D. Be Content in Christ Philippians 4:12-13
- E. Grow in the Fruit of the Spirit