



Discussion
Gu'de

“THE ROT IN JEALOUSY”
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WHEN WE ALLOW JEALOUSY IN OUR LIVES,
IT ROTS OUR ABILITY TO FIND CONTENTMENT

The Repeats (required)

They are the same, but *WE* change, so please discuss these with your group

- [Share the announcements (on FB thread) with your group]
- We're going to *open* by sharing God Moments about what He is doing in our lives, but save our prayer requests for the END of Pr'me. Go around and share your God Moments: how have you seen God working, either in your life or in the life of another over the past week? [Leaders: plan for a way to collect prayer requests at the end, then share them with your Pr'me]
- Is there anything that you want to share that has stood out to you so far from the current Point series?

The Reminder (required)

Read this section briefly to review the Point for everyone

- This Week's Point:
When We Allow Jealousy in Our Lives,
It Rots Our Ability to Find Contentment
- This Week's Object Lesson:
lawn care ("the grass is greener on the other side")
- This Week's Bible Passage & Focus Verse: Galatians 5:[19] 20-21
The result of sin's control in our lives is clear. ...It also includes jealousy ...It wants what others have (v. 20, 21a, NIRV)

The Reflection (required)

Discuss these to go deeper, *and more personal*, into applying the Point

- So where do you land on the lawn care spectrum? What do you do? [PGA tour plays here] <— [I mow regularly] —> [I have a lawn?]
- Let's do some jealousy brainstorming: what [in]famous examples of jealousy do you know, either from pop culture, movies, books, etc.?
- We're going to see what jealousy looks like, *and* what it looks like in our lives. For each statement below, discuss the following:
 - Explain this in your own words (read the verse, if necessary)
 - What has this looked like in *your* life in the past ...or now?
 - How does this category of jealousy "offend" God?
- *Jealousy Misses What God Has Provided* (1 Timothy 6:6-16)
- *Jealousy Angers At God Giving Others Success* (Genesis 4:2-8)
- *Jealousy Ignores How God Created You* (1 Corinthians 12:12-18)
- *Jealousy Forgets That God is With You* (Hebrews 13:5)
- *Jealousy Focuses On UnGodly Distractions* (Php. 4:8; Matt. 6:19-20)
- *Jealousy Denies That God Strengthens You* (Philippians 4:11-13)
- Read Galatians 5:24-25. To deal with *rotten* sin in our lives we:
 - *Admit It:* From the jealousy categories above, choose one that you need to change. What does that look like in your life, specifically?
 - *Kill It:* This isn't simply passive—you need to kill jealousy by finding contentment where you are. How can you find contentment in the situation you shared above (under *Admit It*)?
 - *Leave It:* Read 2 Corinthians 8:1-5. Giving steers us away from jealousy because it "forces" us to follow the Holy Spirit's leading, and allow Him to provide for us. What is a practical way that this should look like in your life? (Is there a specific need? Do you need to give in the offering? Is there something that you're holding on to that God is leading you to give away?)