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WEEK ONE: THE COMPARISON TRAP | AUGUST 11/12

1 Samuel 18:6-9 | When the victorious Israelite army was returning home after David had killed the Philistine, women from all the towns of Israel came out to meet King Saul. They sang and danced for joy with tambourines and cymbals. ⁷ This was their song: "Saul has killed his thousands, and David his ten thousands!" ⁸ This made Saul very angry. "What's this?" he said. "They credit David with ten thousands and me with only thousands. Next they'll be making him their king!" ⁹ So from that time on Saul kept a jealous eye on David.

Jealousy, at its core, is an issue WITH GOD.

James 4:1-3 | What is causing the quarrels and fights among you? Don't they come from the evil desires at war within you? ² You want what you don't have, so you scheme and kill to get it. You are jealous of what others have, but you can't get it, so you fight and wage war to take it away from them. Yet you don't have what you want because you don't ask God for it. ³ And even when you ask, you don't get it because your motives are all wrong—you want only what will give you pleasure.

Only an INTERNAL MAKEOVER will change our EXTERNAL PERSPECTIVE.

As our FAITH grows, our CONTENTMENT grows.

Romans 15:13 | I pray that God, the source of hope, will fill you completely with joy and peace because you trust in him. Then you will overflow with confident hope through the power of the Holy Spirit.