

GOOD DESIRES, BAD DESIRES

1/7/23

- Today – Opportunity to give a Bible study
 - Comment – The subject of this presentation was influenced by this week's Wednesday-night Bible study about the 10th Commandment
 - Title – Good Desires, Bad Desires
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- First – Remind Friends that Coveting is a Major Problem

James 1:14 tempted – drawn away of our own lust – enticed
15 when lust has conceived, it brings forth sin

- But – Reality that Not all Desires are Bad

Matt. 6:33 seek you first the Kingdom of God

1 Cor. 12:31 two complimentary views

King James – covet earnestly the best gifts

New King James – earnestly desire the best gifts

1 Cor. 14:39 desire earnestly to prophesy

1 desire spiritual gifts

2 he who speaks in a tongue – speaks to God

3 he who prophesies – speaks edification, exhortation, comfort to people

4 he who speaks in a tongue, edifies himself – he who prophesies, edifies
the

church

Jer. 9:23 wisdom – might – riches

24 relationship with the Lord

1 Cor. 1:26 wisdom – might – noble

27-31 relationship with the Lord

1 Cor. 7:1-5 proper sexual relationships – consenting

Eph. 4:26-27 proper use of anger

1 Tim. 5:23 proper use of alcohol

Deut. 14:26 spend that money in your hand for whatever your heart desires – for oxen
or sheep – for wine or similar drink – you shall eat there before the
Lord your God – and you shall rejoice, you and your household

John 12:42-43 example – wanting to please people – but, needing approval

42 Pharisees did not confess the Son of God – because they did not want to
be

put out of the synagogue

43 they loved the praise of men – more than the praise of God

Matthew 20:20-25 example – wanting to help people – but, too intrusive

20 lord it over – exercise authority

26-28 a servant

