**Series: Vice Grip**

**Today: Green with Envy**

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**SEVEN CAPITAL VICES**

Envy

Vainglory

Sloth (Acedia)

Avarice (Greed)

Anger

Gluttony

Lust

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***Proverbs 14:30***

*A heart at peace gives life to the body, but envy rots the bones.*

***James 3:16***

*For where you have envy and selfish ambition, there you find disorder and every evil practice.*

***Matthew 27:18***

*Pilate knew very well that the religious leaders had arrested Jesus out of envy.*

**Envy Continuum** (adjust the copy below of a previous version by omitting the number one and the “what is envy” question. Also make the word Envy singular.



**Beware the Comparison Trap**

***2 Corinthians 10:12***

*We do not dare to classify or compare ourselves with some who commend themselves. When they measure themselves by themselves and compare themselves with themselves, they are not wise.*

**Tame this Green Monster?**

* Acknowledge your deep need for unconditional love
* Replace envy with productive zeal
* Practice gratitude
* Practice hidden acts of love
* Give God permission

*“Love your neighbor as yourself.” - Jesus*