

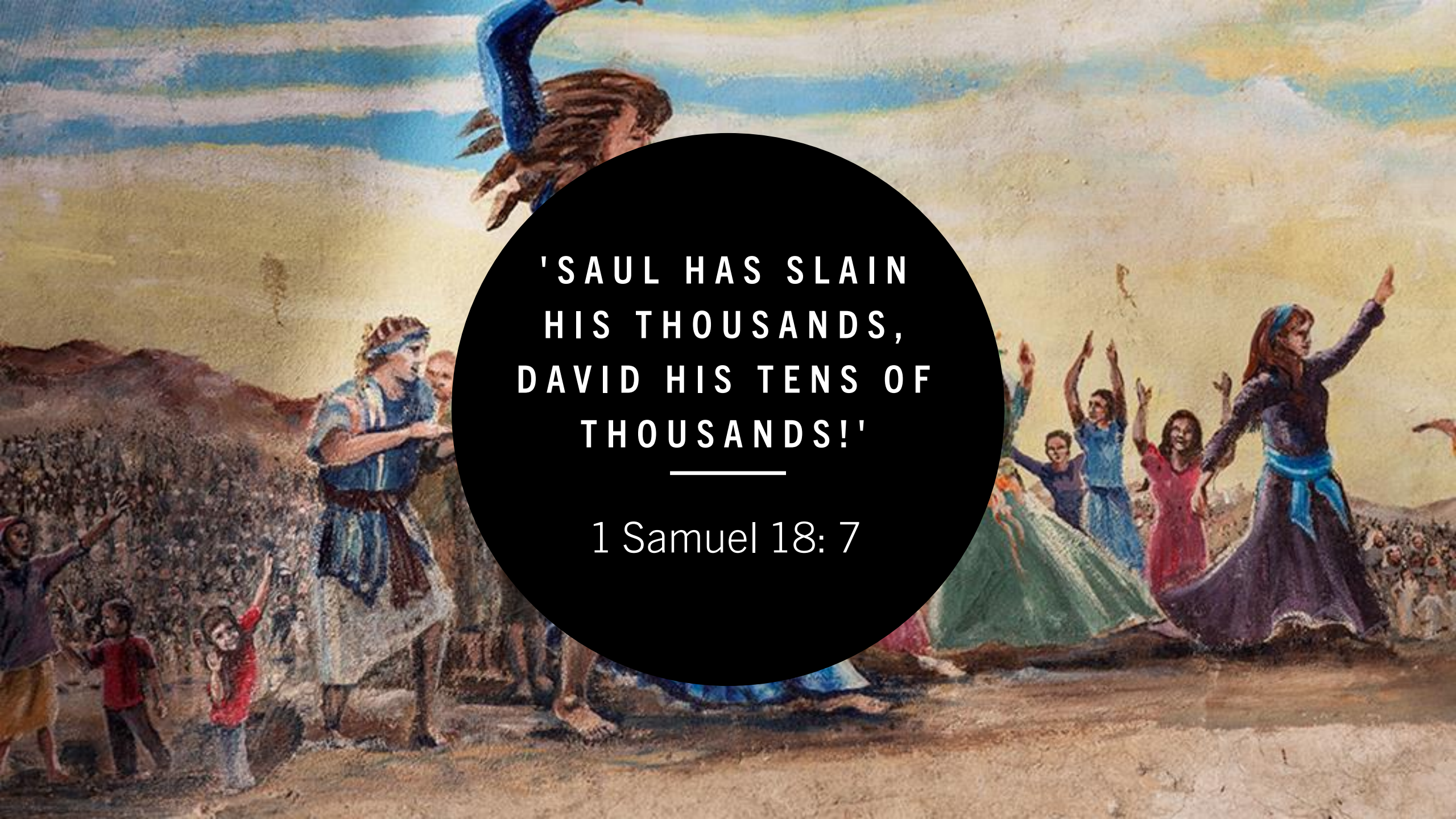


1 SAMUEL 18:1-16

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It's no fun to feel envy or jealousy because both make you feel inadequate. Envy is when you want what someone else has, but jealousy is when you're worried someone's trying to take what you have. If you want your neighbour's new convertible, you feel envy. If she takes your friend out for a ride in it, you feel jealousy.

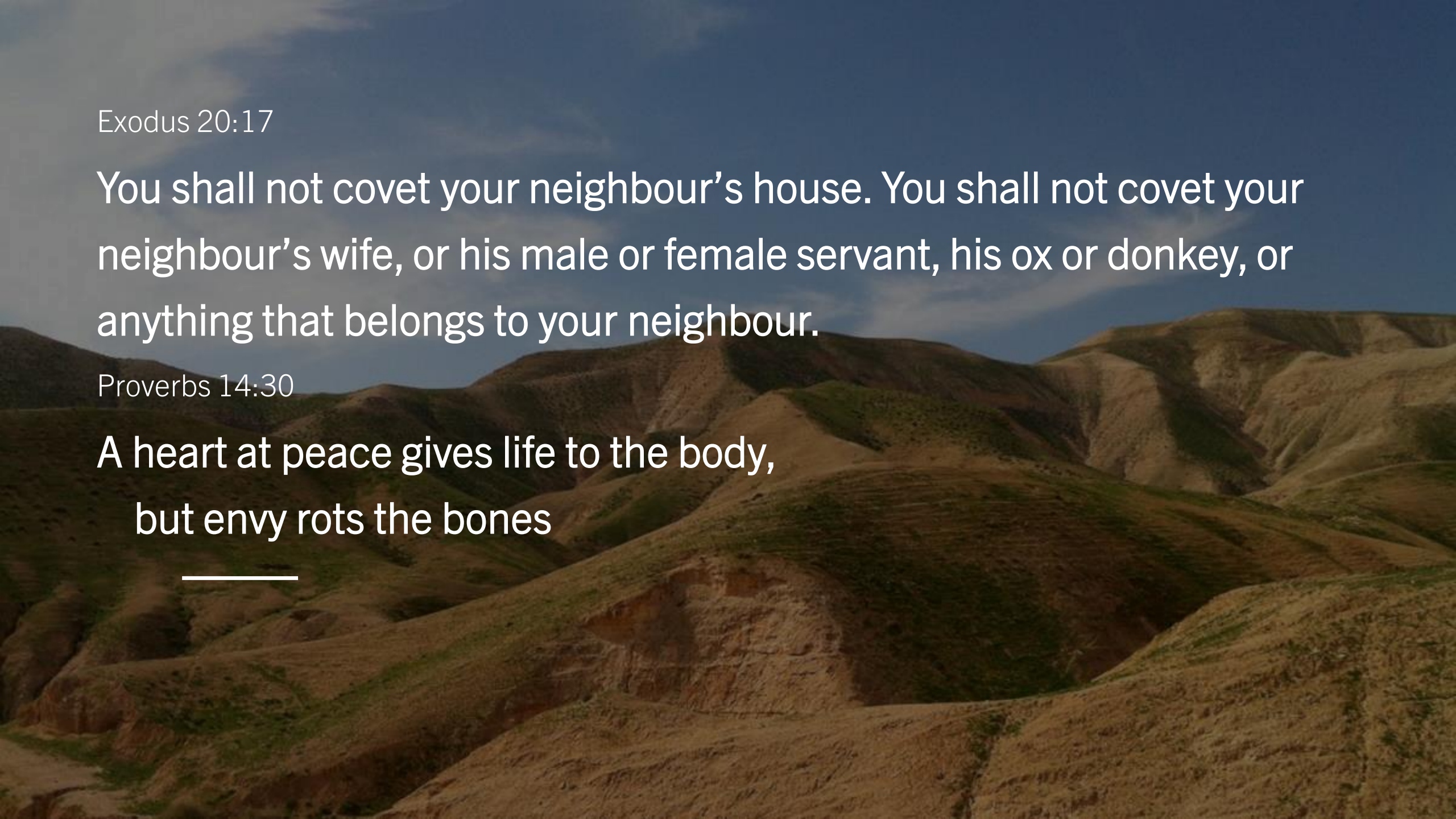


**'SAUL HAS SLAIN
HIS THOUSANDS,
DAVID HIS TENS OF
THOUSANDS!'**

1 Samuel 18: 7

Whenever these troubling or wicked spirits are sent by God, it's done as punishment for something people have done. God judges people by allowing spirit agents to do what they want to do: namely, torment people.

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A landscape of rolling hills under a blue sky with light clouds. The hills are covered in sparse green grass and some brown patches, suggesting a semi-arid or high-altitude environment. The sky is a deep blue with soft, wispy white clouds.

Exodus 20:17

You shall not covet your neighbour's house. You shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or his male or female servant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbour.

Proverbs 14:30

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

A landscape of rolling hills under a blue sky with light clouds. The hills are covered in sparse green grass and some brown patches, suggesting a dry or semi-arid environment. The sky is a clear, pale blue with a few wispy white clouds.

James 3:14-16

But if you harbour bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not boast about it or deny the truth. Such “wisdom” does not come down from heaven but is earthly, unspiritual, demonic. For where you have envy and selfish ambition, there you find disorder and every evil practice.

1 Corinthians 13:4

Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud.

Lord today – by your Spirit would you once again refresh me with your love and put away all envy and jealousy in my heart – turn my life once again to you and help me to see who you want me to be for the common good. Amen
