

Deceptions About Life

- We Are All Victims of Our Circumstances
- Greater Beauty Means Greater Value
- It's All About Me
- Success is Something to Achieve

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Deceptions About Me...

I Deserve Better Than This!

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**Wrath is cruel, anger is overwhelming,
but who can stand before jealousy?**

—Proverbs 27:4 ESV

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**"Jealousy will decimate a friendship,
dissolve a romance, and destroy a
marriage. It will shoot tension through
the ranks of professionals. It will nullify
unity on a team... it will ruin a
church... it will separate preachers.
It will foster competition in a choir and
musicians. It brings bitterness and
finger-pointing among talented
instrumentalists and capable singers."**

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**"With squint eyes, jealousy will
question motives and deplore others
success. It will become severe,
suspicious, narrow, and negative... I
know what I am talking about. I lived
many of my earlier years in the dismal,
gaseous subterranean pipelines of
jealousy, breathing its fumes and
obeying its commands. It was gross
agony." —Charles Swindoll**

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Jealousy

**"...suspicious that we do not
enjoy the affection or respect of
others, or that another is more
loved and respected than
ourselves." —Noah Webster**

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¹⁸Truly, truly, I say to you, when you were young, you used to dress yourself and walk wherever you wanted, but when you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and another will dress you and carry you where you do not want to go.

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**¹⁹(This he said to show by what kind of death he was to glorify God.) And after saying this he said to him, "Follow me." ... ²¹When Peter saw him, he said to Jesus, "Lord, what about this man?"
—John 21:18-19, 21**

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Expose the Subtlety of Jealousy

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**Subtlety— Jealousy...
Despises the Advantages of Others**

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Genesis 26:12-16

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**Subtlety— Jealousy...
Sulks at the Happiness of Others**

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Luke 15

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**“The good fortune of someone close to you will make you discontented.”
—Oscar Wilde**

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**Subtlety— Jealousy...
Stirs Hostility Toward Others**

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**And his brothers were jealous of him,
but his father kept the saying in mind.
—Genesis 37:11 ESV**

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**Subtlety— Jealousy...
Seeks the Ruin of Others**

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⁶The Lord said to Cain, “Why are you angry, and why has your face fallen? ⁷If you do well, will you not be accepted? And if you do not do well, sin is crouching at the door. Its desire is for you, but you must rule over it.” —Genesis 4:6-7 ESV

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Subtlety— Jealousy...

**Refuses to Recognize God's Rule
in the Life of Others**

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**"Woe to him who strives with
him who formed him, a pot
among earthen pots! Does the
clay say to him who forms it,
'What are you making?' or
'Your work has no handles?'"**

—Isaiah 45:9 ESV

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**You turn things upside down!
Shall the potter be regarded as
the clay, that the thing made
should say of its maker, "He did
not make me;" or the thing
formed say of him who formed it,
"He has no understanding?"**

—Isaiah 29:16 ESV

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Examine the Injury of Jealousy

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Injury— Jealousy...

Rots and Ruins the Heart

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**A tranquil heart gives life to the flesh,
but envy makes the bones rot.**

—Proverbs 14:30 ESV

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“Like an anger-blind, half-starved rat prowling in the foul-smelling sewers below street level, so is the person caged within in the suffocating radius of selfish jealousy. Trapped by resentment and diseased by rage, he feeds on the filth of his own imagination.”

—Chuck Swindoll

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Injury— Jealousy...

Burns and Blisters the Soul

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⁷And the women sang to one another as they celebrated, “Saul has struck down his thousands, and David his ten thousands.” ⁸And Saul was very angry, and this saying displeased him. He said, “They have ascribed to David ten thousands, and to me they have ascribed thousands, and what more can he have but the kingdom?” ⁹And Saul eyed David from that day on. —1 Samuel 18:7-9 ESV

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Injury— Jealousy...

Breeds Criticism and Callousness in the Spirit

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Daniel 6

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Injury— Jealousy...

Suppresses and Steals Your Spiritual Appetite

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¹So put away all malice and all deceit and hypocrisy and envy and all slander. ²Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up into salvation— ³if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

—1 Peter 2:1-3 ESV

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Injury— Jealousy...

**Opens Your Mind and Heart
to Every Form of Evil**

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For where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there will be disorder and every vile practice. —James 3:16 ESV

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Eradicate the Activity of Jealousy

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...and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free. —John 8:32 ESV

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The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.

—John 10:10 ESV

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