Compromised by Comparison

God has a perfect plan for us, why would we want it any other way?

28 And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. Romans 8:28

Not all comparison is wrong

"We do not want you to become lazy, but to imitate those who through faith and patience inherit what has been promised."

Hebrews 6:12

see also chapter 11

But often comparison is the result of covetous or Prideful desires

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

Exodus 20:17
James 3:13-18

Desiring something that is not of the Lord or in his plan denies who God is Numbers 23:1-26

Comparing ourselves to other people denies God's creative plan for// US

4 For he chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight. In love 5 he predestined us for adoption to sonship n through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will—6 to the praise of his// glorious grace, which he has freely given us in the One he loves.

> Ephesians 1:4–6 Psalms 139:13-18

"Godliness with contentment" is a biblical principle to help in moments of temptation for comparison 1 Timothy 6:6-10