

## **WHY IS SEXUAL SIN A GREAT EVIL BEFORE GOD?**

*Job 31:9 & 11*

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### **REASONS GOD COMMANDS US TO AVOID SEXUAL SIN**

**1. Sexual sin interferes** – It interferes with God’s will for your life! His plan rolls out in conjunction with the purity of your life. Lack of clarity results. *1 Thessalonians 4:3; 1 Peter 4:2*

**2. Sexual sin involves** – it involves God in the process of connecting yourself to physical sin. *1 Corinthians 6:13b-15; 12:27*

**3. Sexual sin instructs** – It teaches others that it’s okay to meet your sexual needs outside of God’s standards. *Romans 1:32; Proverbs 12:26; Revelations 2:20;*

**4. Sexual sin imprints** - illegitimately giving and receiving a sinful exchange of a part of yourself leaving an irreversible and inerasable mark. You become imprinted! Marriage is when you dive in together to experience the depths of physical intimacy. *Proverbs 5:15-17; 1 Corinthians 6:16a, 18*

**5. Sexual sin indicts** – it indicts/accuses the soul (conscience) with guilt and shame. *Genesis 2:25; 3:7 Deuteronomy 22:13-21; Hosea 2:5*

**6. Sexual sin induces lusts** – it ignites lusts that was not there prior to the act. The interest may have been there beforehand, but afterwards it increases lust. *1 Corinthians 7:1,9; 1 Peter 1:14; 2:11*

**7. Sexual sin infuriates** – it produces unknown sources of irritation in the relationship; the judgement of God changes the nature of the relationship from innocence to irritation. *Hebrews 13:4; 1 Corinthians 6:9-11*

**8. Sexual sin impregnates** – it can result in a child coming into the world with diminished opportunities and incomplete shaping of their characters (on average). *2 Samuel 11:4-5; Genesis 38:24-27*

**9. Sexual sin injects** – It can place you in the position or risk of acquiring a STD or other diseases. *Exodus 15:26; Deuteronomy 28:27, 60*

**10. Sexual sin inducts** – Not into the hall of fame, but into the hall of chains. It imprisons! It initiates one into slavery. Sexual addiction is a misnomer. The bible doesn’t support addictions but calls it slavery! *John 8:34; Romans 6:16; 2 Peter 2:19*

### **HOW TO REMAIN SEXUALLY PURE OR PREVENT YOU FROM REPEATING SEXUAL SIN**

**1. Submit Yourself** – Your body now belongs to God. - *1 Cor. 6:19-20*

**2. Sanctify Yourself** – Set your set apart physically and be holy *1 Thessalonians 4:2-4; Ephesians 5:3*

**3. Deny Yourself** – When the suggestion or urge incites you or invites you, tell yourself “NO!” *Matthew 16:24; Romans 6:1-2; 12-13*

**4. Protect Yourself** – put up barriers that you will not compromise! *Proverbs 4:23; 13:3;*

**5. Control Yourself** – No one forces you to do anything! Doesn't matter how strong the impulse, how many the temptations you ultimately make the choice. *Galatians 5:22* Fruit of Spirit is Self-Control *Proverbs 23:19; James 1:14-15*

**6. Connect Yourself** – Build and maintain relationships that can assist you in staying accountable to God and others whom you don't mind asking the "hard questions." Ecclesiastes

**7. Wait Yourself** – Remind yourself to wait on God and His timing for a relationship that leads to engagement and marriage. He sees, knows and cares about your needs. *Psalms 37:7, 34; 130:5*

**8. Enjoy Yourself!** –Enjoy being single! (free from concern) *1 Corinthians 7:32*; & Enjoy being married! *1 Corinthians 7:33-34* (free to serve and be served)! *Proverbs 5:18*

#### A Letter

One night while I was living in an apartment in the city, I was looking out my window and I saw this young man walking across the street near the corner where this one married woman lived. She came out of her house and saw him and began talking to him. And I noticed she was wearing what looked like lingerie.

So, I started ear-hustling to hear what they were talking about. She said, "I'm glad you decided to come, I just made it home from church." I was looking for you, and here you are!" Then she leaned into him and started kissing him.

"I got everything ready." She said. We gone do it on the couch which I covered with my best 9000 count Egyptian cotton covers. Then we gone do it on the bed which I have sprayed with my favorite perfume. Come on in baby, let's do it all night long."

He said, "What about your husband?" She replied, "Oh don't worry about him, he's out of town on a business trip and won't be home for days. So, you can stay all night."

He stood there undecided, thinking about it for a moment. Then she told him what she can do to him and how she could make him feel.

*Proverbs 7:21-27 With her many persuasions she entices him; with her flattering lips she seduces him. 22 Suddenly he follows her as an ox goes to the slaughter, or as one in fetters to the discipline of a fool, 23 Until an arrow pierces through his liver; as a bird hastens to the snare, so he does not know that it will cost him his life. 24 Now therefore, my sons, listen to me, and pay attention to the words of my mouth. 25 Do not let your heart turn aside to her ways, do not stray into her paths. 26 For many are the victims she has cast down, and numerous are all her slain. 27 Her house is the way to Sheol, descending to the chambers of death.*