

## **Sermon on the Mount: Purity Matters!**

**Matthew 5:27-30**

**Exodus 20:14**

### **1. Flee sexual immorality.**

#### **a. Run as fast as you can.**

1 Corinthians 6:18-20

#### **b. God's will is for you to be pure.**

1 Thessalonians 4:3-5

#### **c. Lust is sexual immorality.**

Lust is an inappropriate desire that disregards God and dishonors another person.

### **2. Pursue purity.**

Philippians 4:8-9

How to pursue purity:

#### **a. Cultivate your relationship with God.**

#### **b. Fill your mind with Scripture.**

#### **c. Surround yourself with Godly friends.**

### **3. Deal drastically with YOUR sin.**

Sin is serious.

**Jesus is NOT teaching you to harm yourself or anyone else! DO NOT Harm yourself.**

**But take your sin seriously.**

Colossians 3:5

#### **a. Ask God to forgive you of your specific sin.**

God is gracious and will forgive you! 1 John 1:9

#### **b. Ask God to remove sinful desires from you.**

Mortification, this is part of dying to self.

#### **c. Ask God to help you remove sinful items in your life.**

**Why does Jesus want us to deal drastically with our sin?**

○ **Because sin traps you.**

○ **Because sin leads to hell.**

○ **Because Christ desires you to repent of your sin and place your faith in Him!**