

FROM THIS DAY FORWARD: STAY PURE

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Key Verse:

Marriage should be honored by all, and the marriage bed kept pure, for God will judge the adulterer and all the sexually immoral.

Hebrews 13:4

HOW DO I STAY "PURE"...

1) Realize you're constantly moving: toward <-> away. RUN!

¹⁸ **Flee from sexual immorality.** All other sins a person commits are outside the body, but whoever sins sexually, sins against their own body. ¹⁹ You are not your own; ²⁰ you were bought at a price.

Therefore honor God with your body. 1 Corinthians 6:18-20

Immorality. *porneia*. "illicit sexual intercourse"

2) Establish Moral GUARDRAILS.

"I made a **covenant with my eyes** not to look lustfully at a girl... ⁴ Does God not see my ways and count my every step? Job 31:1, 4

But among you there must not be even a hint of sexual immorality, or of any kind of impurity...

Ephesians 5:3

Keep to a path far from her, do not go near the door of her house.

Proverbs 5:8

3) Find ACCOUNTABILITY. Humbly confess & repent.

*Therefore **confess** your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.*

James 5:16

Confess defined: formal statement admitting one's guilt
...agreement with God about your actions

Godly sorrow brings repentance that leads to salvation and leaves no regret, but worldly sorrow brings death.

2 Corinthians 7:10

Repent. *Metanoeo*

Repentance defined: the changing of one's mind.

"In its fullest sense it is a term for a complete change of orientation involving a judgment upon the past and a deliberate redirection for the future."

Eerdmans Bible Dictionary

4) Intentionally Guard Your HEART.

How can a young man keep his way pure? By living according to your word. ¹⁰ I seek you with all my heart; do not let me stray from your commands. ¹¹ I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you.

Psalm 119:9-11

"Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things"

Philippians 4:8