

Sermon Questions for Life Groups, Individuals, and Accountability Groups

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CONNECT

- Is our culture different today in regards to views and practice of sexual immorality than it was when you were growing up? If so, in what ways?

GROW:

- Read 1 Thessalonians 4:1-8. Verse 3 states something about God's will. What is God's will for His people? And what is one way to pursue God's will according to verses 3-4?
- What does it mean to control one's body in holiness and honor? How does that help a person to abstain from sexual immorality? What is the danger of not doing this (see verses 6-8)?
- What things do you do that help you to control your body in holiness and honor? Colossians 3:2 instructs us to set our minds on things that are above, not on earthly things. How does the pursuit in our minds of earthly things lead us toward sexual immorality? Why is this so difficult for us to talk about?
- What does it mean to set our minds on things that are above (Colossians 3:1)? What are very practical ways we can follow this command from God?
- One wise author has written: "Who would have thought? The treatment for addictions is to want something better than your addictions." In what ways is Jesus more attractive and appealing than any addiction? What does Jesus do that pornography or no other addiction could ever do (see Psalm 103:2-17)?

GO:

- What will you commit to do this week to control your body in holiness and honor? Is there a trusted pastor or friend that you can speak with about any struggles you may be having with sexual immorality? What hope does James 5:16 give us in this matter?

To prepare for next week's message, read 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18.

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