

old question *How far is too far?* Instead, it gives us guidelines to help us figure it out. Take 1 Thessalonians 4:3-5, where Paul says this:

It is God's will that you should be sanctified: that you should avoid sexual immorality; that each of you should learn to control his own body in a way that is holy and honorable, not in passionate lust like the heathen, who do not know God.

WRITE ABOUT IT

- Q: What do you think it means to control your body in a way that's holy?
- If you were to do what you just wrote, how far would you go sexually with someone?
- Q: Let's put it another way. Imagine you are a parent of a teenager your age who asks you how far he or she can go sexually. What would you say?

mother may i?

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These people want to have sex, and they're looking for your approval. Check yes or no and give your reason.

- She's going to war—she may not come home alive. May I?
☐ Yes ☐ No
Because—
- He has cancer—we don't know if they caught it in time. May I?
☐ Yes ☐ No
Because—
- We're going to be married in less than a year. May I?
☐ Yes ☐ No
Because—
- We're going to be married in less than a week. May I?
☐ Yes ☐ No
Because—
- But I really, really love him—I'm afraid he may not wait. May I?
☐ Yes ☐ No
Because—