

God's Words of Life on
SEXUAL INTIMACY

But among you there must not be even a hint of sexual immorality, or of any kind of impurity, or of greed, because these are improper for God's holy people.

Ephesians 5:3

But since there is so much immorality, each man should have his own wife, and each woman her own husband. The husband should fulfill his marital duty to his wife, and likewise the wife to her husband. The wife's body does not belong to her alone but also to her husband. In the same way, the husband's body does not belong to him alone but also to his wife. Do not deprive each other except by mutual consent and for a time, so that you may devote yourselves to prayer. Then come together again so that Satan will not tempt you because of your lack of self-control.

1 Corinthians 7:2-5

I made a covenant with my eyes not to look lustfully at a girl.

Job 31:1

Devotional Thought on
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A one-woman kind of man is a man who demonstrates his commitment by disciplining his eyes. We are all familiar with the guy who can't walk one block without giving some woman the once-over from head to toe. He will even stop dead in his tracks in the flow of pedestrian traffic to turn and watch her as she goes by. Most of us are a little better socially adjusted than that.

A man who is committed with his eyes will avoid certain kinds of magazines and television programs. A hotel room on the road can be a very dangerous place for a one-woman kind of man who is not prepared for battle. When I bought a newspaper this morning, it was surrounded by pornographic magazines with alluring covers. "Girls of the Southwest Conference!" blazed the cover. If I don't discipline my eyes and look away, I'm going to start wondering how those girls in the Southwest Conference are getting along. And I must particularly cultivate that blindness away from home. I know I must do this because I know myself. And the self I know has a hard enough time even when I'm not away from home.

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preserve my life according to your word.

Psalms 119:37

Let your eyes look straight ahead, fix your gaze
directly before you. Make level paths for your
feet and take only ways that are firm. Do not
swerve to the right or the left; keep your foot
from evil.

Proverbs 4:25-27

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. For God did not call us to be
impure, but to live a holy life.

1 Thessalonians 4:3-5, 7

Flee from sexual immorality. All other sins a
man commits are outside his body, but he who
sins sexually sins against his own body. Do you
not know that your body is a temple of the
Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have
received from God? You are not your own; you
were bought at a price. Therefore honor God
with your body.

1 Corinthians 6:18-20

For everything in the world—the cravings of
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from the Father but from the world. The
world and its desires pass away, but the man
who does the will of God lives forever.

1 John 2:16-17

But each one is tempted when, by his own
evil desire, he is dragged away and enticed.
Then, after desire has conceived, it gives birth
to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, gives
birth to death. Don't be deceived, my dear
brothers.

James 1:14-16

A man's ways are in full view of the LORD, and
he examines all his paths.

Proverbs 5:21

Husbands ought to love their wives as their
own bodies. He who loves his wife loves
himself. After all, no one ever hated his own
body, but he feeds and cares for it, just as
Christ does the church.

Ephesians 5:28-29

No temptation has seized you except what is
common to man. And God is faithful; he will
not let you be tempted beyond what you can
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provide a way out so that you can stand up
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