

SO WHAT

- Read 1 Peter 2:9,10. Why does God want us to live a holy life? Who can help us live in purity and holiness?
- Comment on what Luke 11:28 says. How do you find this at work in your life?
- According to 1 John 1:9, is there hope for those who used to live sexually immoral lives?

NOW WHAT

- What can you give up or start doing to pursue purity and holiness more starting this week?
- How will you ensure that all your relationships are following a standard of purity and holiness?
- How do you see those you know have succumbed to immorality in the past? How can you share God's love to that person this week?

PRAYER

- Pray that God's grace will enable you to live according to His standards of purity and holiness.
- Ask God to help you resist temptation and stay far away from compromising situations.
- Pray that God will open a door for you to help someone who needs to repent.



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WEEK 2



... Choose to be Pure?

NOTES

CONNECT

- What do you want your loved one to achieve in the near future? Why?
- Tell a story of when you suffered a consequence of disobedience as a child. What lesson did you learn from that experience?
- What do you consider the worst punishment in your school for breaking a rule?

WORD

³It is God's will that you should be sanctified: that you should avoid sexual immorality; ⁴that each of you should learn to control his own body in a way that is holy and honorable, ⁵not in passionate lust like the heathen, who do not know God; ⁶and that in this matter no one should wrong his brother or take advantage of him. The Lord will punish men for all such sins, as we have already told you and warned you. ⁷For God did not call us to be impure, but to live a holy life. 1 THESSALONIANS 4:3-7

WHAT

Nowadays, anything goes with the way people live. There are too many choices as to how we would like to live our lives. However, this does not guarantee us that whatever we choose will do us good. What does the Bible say about choosing to live the godly way?

1 God wants us to be holy.

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Many people mistakenly believe that holiness means to become boring, sad, and isolated. They miss its real meaning which is to be set apart for God and His purposes. What they do not understand is God intended holiness for us because He wants the best for us. What are the benefits of choosing to be pure and holy? Give real life examples if possible.

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2 Sexual purity is part of holiness.

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Part of holiness is not to get involved in sexual immorality. Once a person gets into this, he or she opens the door to a lot of problems that go with this sin, causing physical, emotional, and spiritual scars. What can help us keep our ways pure (Psalm 119: 9-16)?

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3 Sexual impurity will be punished.

Though one may be overpowered, two can defend themselves. A cord of three strands is not quickly broken. 1 THESSALONIANS 4:6,7

Other than the instant negative effects of sexual immorality, God will ultimately punish sexual immorality with eternal death. There is hope and forgiveness, however, if one will turn to Christ. What did Jesus do to rescue us from the consequences of sin as a whole (1 Peter 2:24; Romans 4:25)?

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