

Series: Blameless

Title: A Strong Conversation

Text: (1 Thes 4:1-12)

A. A Model Walk Pleases God: (4:1-8)

I. The Exhortation for Purity: (Vs 1-2)

In tenderness: (Vs 1)

The commandment of the Lord Jesus. (1 Jn 1:9)

II. The Commandment for Purity: (Vs 3-5)

To abstain from Fornication: (Vs 3)

To know how to control our body: (Vs 4)

(1 Cor 7:4-5)(Rom 6:19)

To resisting the passion of Lust: (Vs 5)

The Passion of Lust is not the ways of God.

(Rom 1:18-32) The Indictment against sin.

(James 1:14-15) Lust leads to death

How can we overcome the power of Lust? (Gal 5:16)

III. The Reason for Purity: (Vs 6-8)

Immorality defrauds & cheats a brother: (Vs 6a)

(Rom 12:9-10) without hypocrisy

Immorality will be Avenged by God: (Vs 6b)

(Rom 1:18)

Immorality is Not the Call of God: (Vs 7) (2 Cor 7:1)

Immorality is a Sin against God: (Vs 8)

(2 Pet 2:14-15)(Ps 51:4)(1 Cor 3:16-17; 6:16-20)

IV. Four Practical Duties for Purity:

A. Grow in Love More and More: (Vs 9-10)

B. Study To Be Quiet: (Vs 11a)

(2 Tim 2:15) Study

(1 Pet 3:15) Ready - Quiet=at peace

C. Do Your Own Business: (Vs 11b)

Know your Spiritual Gifts: (1 Cor 12:7-11, 28)

What part do you play in the Great Commission?

(Matt 28:19-20)(2 Tim 2:2)

D. Work With Your Own Hands: (Vs 11c)

God Introduced Work: (Gen 1:26-28; 2:15-20)

Sin Cursed our World and our Work: (Gen 3:1-6)

- Work was not the curse – (Gen 2:16-17)

- Gen 3:16-19 it would now take more effort.

We must understand work. (Col 3:1,17)

- We can find fulfillment in our vocation as long as it is God's will for us. (Col 3:23-24)

Be a Witness: (Col 3:25)

Support our families: (2 Thes 3:10-12)

Support the Lord's work: (2 Cor 8:7-8; 1 Cor 16:2)

Share with others:(Vs 12) (Eph 4:28; 1 Jn 3:17-18;

James 2:15-16)

Support the Government:

Christ affirmed it: (Lk 20:25)

Paul affirmed it: (Rom 13:1-7)

Peter affirmed it: (1 Pet 3:13-15)