



Learning from a Worldly Church

Purity.

In 1 Corinthians 6:12f Paul gives 5 useful principles for staying pure:

1. Ask: Is it _____? Verse 12

(1 Timothy 4:8) "For bodily exercise profits a little, but godliness is profitable for all things...."

2. Ask: Does it _____? Verse 12

(Proverbs 28:13) "He who covers his sins will not prosper, But whoever confesses and forsakes them will have mercy."

3. Remember: Your _____ belongs to God, verses 13-19

(Romans 12:1) "I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service."

(1 Thessalonians 4:3-5) "For this is the will of God, your sanctification: that you should abstain from sexual immorality; {4} that each of you should know how to possess his own vessel in sanctification and honor, {5} not in passion of lust, like the Gentiles who do not know God;"

(Genesis 39:12) "...she caught him by his garment, saying, "Lie with me." But he left his garment in her hand, and fled and ran outside."

(Proverbs 2:18) "For her house leads down to death, And her paths to the dead;"

(Proverbs 5:8) "Remove your way far from her, And do not go near the door of her house,"

(Proverbs 6:26) "For by means of a harlot A man is reduced to a crust of bread; And an adulteress will prey upon his precious life."

(2 Timothy 2:22) "Flee also youthful lusts; but pursue righteousness, faith, love, peace with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart."

(Psalms 36:1-2) "...An oracle is within my heart concerning the sinfulness of the wicked: There is no fear of God before his eyes. {2} For in his own eyes he flatters himself too much to detect or hate his sin." [paraphrase]

4. Remember: Your _____ belongs to God, verses 17, 19

5. Seek: to _____ God, verse 20

(Galatians 5:16) "I say then: Walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh."

(Romans 6:13) "And do not present your members as instruments of unrighteousness to sin, but present yourselves to God as being alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness to God."

