

SERIES: Ephesians
God's Sexual Standard for Saints
Ephesians 5:3-6

The Sins We Must Shun (5:3-4)

- *Sins of the Body...*
 - Lusts of the flesh...
 - Sexual _____.
 - This rules out any sexual activity _____ marriage.
 - This rules out any sexual activity _____ marriage.
 - All _____.
 - Lusts of the eyes...
 - Covetousness...
 - To covet is to _____ something more than God.
- *Sins of the Tongue...*
 - Do not be _____ regarding sex.
 - Do not be _____ in speech.
 - Do not be _____ about sin.
- *Saints of the Lord...*
 - There must be no _____ of immorality among us.
 - We must _____ sin.
 - We must _____ sexual immorality.
 - We must hunger for what is _____.

The Speech We Must Speak (5:4)

- There are two indications of a person's character:
 - What makes him _____.
 - What makes him _____.
- The antidote to sexual sin is _____.
 - We must strip off the rags of impurity and put on the garment of _____.
 - Gratitude is what you feel when you believe God is for you and not against you.

The Sentence We Must See (5:5)

- The unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God.
 - Notice Paul's _____.
 - Notice Pauls' consistency.
 - Notice Paul's _____.
 - Notice Paul's _____.
- Your sexual sin problem is fundamentally a _____ problem.
 - In the OT, idolatry was considered spiritual _____.
 - In the NT, immorality is considered spiritual _____.

The Seduction We Must Stop (5:6)

- Do not be deceived...
 - With _____ words.
 - With _____ for sin.
- Do not disobey...
 - The _____ of God is coming.
 - The _____ of God is available.
 - Turn from your _____.
 - Trust in the _____.

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The Sins We Must Shun (5:3-4)

- *Sins of the Body...*
 - Lusts of the flesh...
 - Sexual **immorality**.
 - This rules out any sexual activity **before** marriage.
 - This rules out any sexual activity **outside** marriage.
 - All **impurity**.
 - Lusts of the eyes...
 - Covetousness...
 - To covet is to **crave** anything more than God.
- *Sins of the Tongue...*
 - Do not be **filthy** regarding sex.
 - Do not be **foolish** in speech.
 - Do not be **flippant** about sin.
- *Saints of the Lord...*
 - There must be no **hint** of immorality among us.
 - We must **kill** sin.
 - We must **flee** sexual immorality.
 - We must hunger for what is **holy**.

The Speech We Must Speak (5:4)

- There are two indications of a person's character:
 - What makes him **laugh**.
 - What makes him **weep**.
- The antidote to sexual sin is **thanksgiving**.
 - We must strip off the rags of impurity and put on the garment of **gratitude**.
 - Gratitude is what you feel when you believe God is for you and not against you.

The Sentence We Must See (5:5)

- The unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God.
 - Notice Paul's **certainty**.
 - Notice Paul's consistency.
 - Notice Paul's **clarity**.
 - Notice Paul's **concern**.
- Your sexual sin problem is fundamentally a **worship** problem.
 - In the OT, idolatry was considered spiritual **adultery**.
 - In the NT, immorality is considered spiritual **idolatry**.

The Seduction We Must Stop (5:6)

- Do not be deceived...
 - With **empty** words.
 - With **excuses** for sin.
- Do not disobey...
 - The **wrath** of God is coming.
 - The **mercy** of God is available.
 - Turn from your **sin**.
 - Trust in the **Savior**.