

Sexual Purity

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Genesis 39: 6b-20

"Now Joseph was well-built and handsome, ⁷ and after a while his master's wife took notice of Joseph and said, "Come to bed with me!"

⁸ But he refused. "With me in charge," he told her, "my master does not concern himself with anything in the house; everything he owns he has entrusted to my care. ⁹ No one is greater in this house than I am. My master has withheld nothing from me except you, because you are his wife. How then could I do such a wicked thing and sin against God?" ¹⁰ And though she spoke to Joseph day after day, he refused to go to bed with her or even be with her.

¹¹ One day he went into the house to attend to his duties, and none of the household servants was inside. ¹² She caught him by his cloak and said, "Come to bed with me!" But he left his cloak in her hand and ran out of the house.

¹³ When she saw that he had left his cloak in her hand and had run out of the house, ¹⁴ she called her household servants. "Look," she said to them, "this Hebrew has been brought to us to make sport of us! He came in here to sleep with me, but I screamed. ¹⁵ When he

heard me scream for help, he left his cloak beside me and ran out of the house."

¹⁶ She kept his cloak beside her until his master came home. ¹⁷ Then she told him this story: "That Hebrew slave you brought us came to me to make sport of me. ¹⁸ But as soon as I screamed for help, he left his cloak beside me and ran out of the house."

¹⁹ When his master heard the story his wife told him, saying, "This is how your slave treated me," he burned with anger. ²⁰ Joseph's master took him and put him in prison, the place where the king's prisoners were confined."

Ephesians 5:3

"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."

Sex was designed for pleasure and procreation and is to be enjoyed between a man and a woman who are in a covenant marriage to the glory of God.

Lie #1- No one will ever know

Truth-Your Father is with you

Genesis 39:2

"The Lord was with Joseph so that he prospered, and he lived in the house of his Egyptian master."

Lie #2-I deserve it

Truth- We have never been so good that we've earned a little sin

Guardrail #1- A strong conviction NOW can halt a weak decision LATER.

Job 31:1

"I made a covenant with my eyes not to look lustfully at a young woman."

Guardrail #2- Be willing to run

Genesis 39:10

"He refused to go to bed with her or even be with her."

Genesis 39:12

"She caught him by his cloak and said, "Come to bed with me!" But he left his cloak in her hand and ran out of the house."

