

Digging Deeper

Series: Ancient Words for a New Life

Sermon: **And Thee Alone...**

Scripture: Exodus 20:14



GETTING STARTED

Do you believe that society in general is becoming more or less tolerant of loosening standards of sexuality? What evidence supports your position?

BIBLE STUDY

1. What are the long term implications to a society that trivializes the institution of marriage and tolerates sexual promiscuity?
2. Read Matthew 5:27-28. Why would Jesus' teaching have so astounded His first century audience?
 - How does looking at a woman (or man) lustfully differ from simply admiring a person's beauty or thinking someone is attractive?
3. Although Jesus' teaching in Matthew 5 might have been considered revolutionary, what do we read in Psalm 66:18 that shows Jesus' teaching is consistent with Old Testament theology?
4. Read 2 Samuel 11:2-4 and Genesis 39:6-10. Why did David's situation in 2 Samuel have such a starkly different outcome than Joseph's situation in Genesis 39?
5. Look up the following verses. What insight or instructions do we get from these verses to help us deal with adulterous thoughts?
 - Ephesians 5:3
 - 1 Thessalonians 4:4-5
 - Proverbs 5:20-23
 - 2 Timothy 2:22

APPLY IT

If you are married, identify specific ways you can affirm your commitment to your spouse.

If you are unmarried, consider specific ways you can remain pure before the Lord.