



“Lost in Passion”

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Main Scripture: 1 Corinthians 6:12-20

Referenced Scripture: Genesis 39:12, Proverbs 5:1-8, Proverbs 7:6-20, Psalm 51, James 1:14-15, 2 Timothy 3:13-14, Luke 19:10, John 4:1-23

OPEN:

1. What in particular spoke to you from Pastor Bob’s message?
2. Why is it that so many people see the holiness of buildings rather than the holiness of our bodies?

DIG DEEPER:

1. How is the Christian calling to fidelity in marriage and purity in singleness contrary to the world we live in today?
2. In your own words describe what Paul tells us about the purpose of our bodies in **1 Corinthians 6:13, 15, 19**?
3. Paul gives us three problems of allowing our passions to remain unguarded. The first is the *pain* of passion unguarded (**1 Corinthians 6:12a**). Why do we oftentimes overemphasize the pleasure and underemphasize the consequences? How have you experienced the pain of passion unguarded in your won life? What did you learn from that experience?
4. The second problem of allowing our passions to remain unguarded is the *progression* of the power of passion unguarded (**1 Corinthians 6:12b**). How have you seen the *progression* of the power of passion unguarded, as described in **James 1:14-15**?
5. The third problem of allowing our passions to remain unguarded is the *perversion* of passion unguarded v(**1 Corinthians 6:13**). Paul tells us in **1Corinthians 6:19** “*your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit*”. How do you view the responsibility God has given you to rule over your own body, including your thoughts and desires? What kinds of “guardrails” can you set up in your life to oppose the “*lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life*” (**1 John 2:16**)

REFLECT:

1. What are some of the things you can do to help you avoid sexual immorality, and make sure your heart and life is a clean temple for the Holy Spirit to dwell?
2. How have you learned that real freedom is the power to do as we should, not the right to do as we please?

MEMORY VERSE:

1 Corinthians 6:12

*“All things are lawful for me, but all things are not helpful.
All things are lawful for me, but I will not be brought under the power of any.”*

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