

### Scared Pure – Proverbs 7

- i. Introduction – God’s design for sexual purity
  - a. In His Word – Genesis 2; 1Thessalonians 4; 1Corinthians 6
  - b. In His Creation – Psalm 19:1, 2; Romans 1:26, 27; Jude 1:7-10
- ii. Proverbs 7

1My son, keep my words And treasure my commandments within you. 2Keep my commandments and live, And my teaching as the apple of your eye. 3Bind them on your fingers; Write them on the tablet of your heart. 4Say to wisdom, “You are my sister,” And call understanding *your* intimate friend; 5That they may keep you from an adulteress, From the foreigner who flatters with her words.

6For at the window of my house I looked out through my lattice, 7And I saw among the naive, *And* discerned among the youths A young man lacking sense, 8Passing through the street near her corner; And he takes the way to her house, 9In the twilight, in the evening, In the middle of the night and *in* the darkness. 10And behold, a woman *comes* to meet him, Dressed as a harlot and cunning of heart. 11She is boisterous and rebellious, Her feet do not remain at home; 12*She is* now in the streets, now in the squares, And lurks by every corner. 13So she seizes him and kisses him And with a brazen face she says to him: 14“I was due to offer peace offerings; Today I have paid my vows. 15“Therefore I have come out to meet you, To seek your presence earnestly, and I have found you. 16“I have spread my couch with coverings, With colored linens of Egypt. 17“I have sprinkled my bed With myrrh, aloes and cinnamon. 18“Come, let us drink our fill of love until morning; Let us delight ourselves with caresses. 19“For my husband is not at home, He has gone on a long journey; 20He has taken a bag of money with him, At the full moon he will come home.”

21With her many persuasions she entices him; With her flattering lips she seduces him. 22Suddenly he follows her As an ox goes to the slaughter, Or as *one in* fetters to the discipline of a fool, 23Until an arrow pierces through his liver; As a bird hastens to the snare, So he does not know that it *will cost him* his life. 24Now therefore, *my* sons, listen to me, And pay attention to the words of my mouth. 25Do not let your heart turn aside to her ways, Do not stray into her paths. 26For many are the victims she has cast down, And numerous are all her slain. 27Her house is the way to Sheol, Descending to the chambers of death.

- iii. Proverbs 7 – 3 Prong Attack to Overcome Sexual Sin –

- a. Gain Wisdom and understanding. Vv. 1-5
  - i. Value it. – vv. 1, 2
  - ii. Remember it. – v. 3; Ps 119:9, 11
  - iii. Associate with it. – v. 4

...keep my commandments and live. (John 10:10)

Scriptures to learn and memorize – Gen 39:9; Pr 5; Ps 119:9-11; Matt 5:27-28; 1Cor 6:9-11, 15-20; 1Thess 4:3-7

- b. Obey The Warnings or Don’t be Naïve

“Naïve, Simple” – *open minded; no discretion or discernment*

“Lacking Sense” – *no conviction*

Parents – Eph 6:7; Pr 13:24

4 Warnings:

i. Don't be in the wrong place at the wrong time. Vv. 8, 9; Pr 5:7-9 You can't hood with owls & hope to catch them

ii. Know the Marks of an adulteress - vv. 10-12

| Adulteress                   | Godly Woman  |
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| v.10 – Dressed like a harlot | 1Tim 2: 9 Likewise, I want women to adorn themselves with proper clothing, <sup>[a]</sup> modestly and discreetly, not with braided hair and gold or pearls or costly garments, <sup>10</sup> but rather by means of good works, as is proper for women making a claim to godliness. |
| v. 10b Cunning of Heart      | Prov 31:30 <sup>30</sup> Charm is deceitful and beauty is vain, But a woman who <sup>[a]</sup> fears the LORD, she shall be praised.   |
| v. 11 Boisterous             | 1Peter 3:4 but let it be the hidden person of the heart, with the imperishable quality of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is precious in the sight of God.  |
| v. 11 Rebellious             | 1Peter 3:3 In the same way, you wives, be submissive to your own husbands so that even if any of them are disobedient to the word, they may be won without a word by the behavior of their wives, <sup>2</sup> as they observe your chaste and <sup>[a]</sup> respectful behavior.   |
| v. 11, 12 – Not at Home      | Titus 2:4 so that they may <sup>[b]</sup> encourage the young women to love their husbands, to love their children, <sup>5</sup> to be sensible, pure, workers at home, ...  |

Godly man:

a pattern of behavior

Titus 2 6 Likewise urge the young men to be sensible; 7 in all things show yourself to be an example of good deeds, with purity in doctrine, dignified, 8 sound in speech which is beyond reproach, so that the opponent will be put to shame, having nothing bad to say about us.

self controlled rational

iii. Beware of Enticements –

1. She appears to have an infatuation with sex. Vv.13-15

2. Inappropriate affection - v. 13

3. The appearance of religion - v. 14, 15

4. The perfect experience - v. 16, 17

FALSE - 5. Assurance of not getting caught - vv. 18, 19

Prov 5:21 → God sees

Numb 32:23 → all sin will be found out

iv. Know the consequences - vv. 22-23

You can't go back

It's lost for good

Prov 5:22

Know these things so we can teach others, especially kids.