“God wants you to be pure and to keep clear of all sexual sin... For God has not called us to be dirty-minded and full of lust but to be holy and clean.”
1 Thess. 4:3,7 (LB)

HOW TO STAY PURE IN A POLLUTED WORLD

1. MAKE _____________________________________________

“How can [anyone] keep his way pure? By living according to Your Word.”
Pr. 119:9 (NIV)

2. MANAGE _____________________________________________

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“How Immorality Happens
thoughts... emotions... actions
1st - Accepting sinful thoughts in my mind
2nd - Emotional, non-physical involvement
3rd - Physical involvement
4th - Rationalizing my actions

“Turn your back on lustful thoughts and give your positive attention to goodness, integrity, love and peace.”
2 Tim. 2:22 (Ph)

3. MONITOR _____________________________________________
“The fool feeds on trash.”
Pr. 15:14 (LB)

“Keep me from paying attention to what is worthless.”
Ps. 119:37 (GN)

“I will refuse to look at anything vile and vulgar.”
Ps. 101:3 (NLT)

4. MINIMIZE

“Be careful. If you’re thinking, ‘Oh, I’d never behave like that’ -- let this be a warning to you. For you too may fall into sin.”
1 Cor. 10:12 (LB)

“Bad companions ruin good character.”
1 Cor. 15:33 (GN)

“But among you there must not even be a hint of sexual immorality...”
Eph. 5:3 (NIV)

5. MAINTAIN

“Enjoy life with your wife, whom you love.”
Eccl. 9:9 (NIV)

“A husband should not deprive his wife of sexual intimacy, which is her right as a married woman, nor should the wife deprive her husband... Do not cheat each other of normal sexual relations... or you’ll expose yourselves to the obvious temptation of Satan.”
1 Cor. 7:3,5 (NLT/Ph)

6. MAGNIFY

“Anyone who commits adultery doesn’t have any sense. He is just destroying himself.”
Pr. 6:32 (GN)

“[Immorality] may cost you your life.”
Pr. 6:26 (NCV)

“God will judge the sexually immoral.”
Heb. 13:4a (NIV)
THE PATH BACK TO PURITY

1. REPENT  Ps. 51:1-10

2. RECEIVE FORGIVENESS  Ps. 32:1-5

3. REFOCUS & REPLACE  Rom. 13:13-14

4. REQUEST HELP DAILY  1 Cor. 10:13

“Remember that the temptations that come into your life are no different from what others experience. And God is faithful... When you are tempted, he will show you a way out so that you will not give in to it.”