

IMMORALITY

In today's society in America, we have regressed morally to the point that the public in general has no conscience, and what is allowed and condoned today would have been severely condemned a few decades ago. It is a sign of the last days as reflected in 2 Timothy 3: 1-7 when men will be:

2 Timothy 3:4

“treacherous, reckless, conceited, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God;”

The Bible is very patently clear about this issue as stated in 1 Corinthians 6:18:

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“Flee immorality. Every {other} sin that a man commits is outside the body, but the immoral man sins against his own body.”

The word immorality, when translated, includes *adultery, fornication, homosexuality, bestiality, incest, and metaphorically it stands for harlotry (idolatry)*. We are to literally flee these things, much like Joseph did with Potiphar's wife, although this fights against what has become the norm in this country - people living together before or in lieu marriage, the rise of homosexuality, and an overall embracing of sexually explicit things.

In fact, 1 Corinthians goes on to say that our bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit which are not made for such sin, and that we will be a witness for the Lord by living apart from and avoiding such behavior.

1 Corinthians 6:19-20

“Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and that you are not your own?”

For you have been bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body.”

The Bible says it is the will of God to abstain from these things and that if any “brother” insists on doing these things he should be removed from fellowship and no one should associate with him.

1 Thessalonians 4:3

“For this is the will of God, your sanctification; {that is,} that you abstain from sexual immorality;”

1 Corinthians 5:11

“But actually, I wrote to you not to associate with any so-called brother if he should be an immoral person, or covetous, or an idolater, or a reviler, or a drunkard, or a swindler-- not even to eat with such a one.”