



♥ What is God's standard concerning relationships with the opposite sex?

Matthew 5:27-28 \_\_\_\_\_

♥ What reasons are given for avoiding impurity and immorality?

1 Thessalonians 4:3-8 \_\_\_\_\_

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1 Corinthians 6:18-20 \_\_\_\_\_



There are many things that can influence our lives and hinder us from living God's standard of purity? What are some of these things?  
How can we guard ourselves against these influences?

### **B. With One Another**

♥ What guidelines does Paul give in 1 Timothy 5:1-2 for our relationships with others?

Older men \_\_\_\_\_ Younger men \_\_\_\_\_

Older women \_\_\_\_\_ Younger women \_\_\_\_\_

## **2. Purity in Speech**

♥ What is God's command concerning our speech?

Ephesians 5:3-5 \_\_\_\_\_

♥ How is it possible to continually speak pure words?

Philippians 4:8 \_\_\_\_\_

♥ What is one reason for desiring to speak what is pure?

Proverbs 15:26 \_\_\_\_\_



What should you do as a Christian when you are with others where you study or work and they tell dirty jokes?

## **3. Purity in our Heart**

Some Christians blame the enemy when they speak impure words, but God's word tells us clearly what the real source is!

♥ What determines the kind of words we speak?

Matthew 12:34-35 \_\_\_\_\_

Mark 7:21-23 \_\_\_\_\_

♥ What are the steps that lead to impure words and actions?

James 1:13-15 \_\_\_\_\_

♥ Why can we never blame God for the temptation we face?

James 1:13-14 \_\_\_\_\_

Although the Bible clearly says that impurity comes from within our hearts, if we don't blame the devil, we often find other excuses. See what the Bible says about the excuses we often give.

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| a. 'Everyone does it, so it must be all right.'          | See Proverbs 14:12                     |
| b. 'It is up to me whether I feel it is right or not.'   | See Proverbs 30:12                     |
| c. 'If I don't hurt anyone then it is all right.'        | See Leviticus 5:17                     |
| d. 'No-one will ever find out so it doesn't matter.'     | See Hebrews 4:13                       |
| e. 'I can't help it – that is the way I was brought up.' | See Ezekiel 18:20, 30, Galatians 6:7-8 |

We have no excuse for sin and impurity. If you want God to change you, you have to stop making excuses and see sin as God sees it. Ask him to cleanse you and give you a desire to have a pure heart. A pure heart is the key to speaking pure words and having pure relationships.

♥ How can we have a pure heart according to the following verses?

Proverbs 4:14-15 \_\_\_\_\_

Psalms 119:9-10 \_\_\_\_\_

1 Peter 1:22 \_\_\_\_\_

2 Timothy 2:22 \_\_\_\_\_

*'Blessed is the pure in heart,  
for they shall see God.'*