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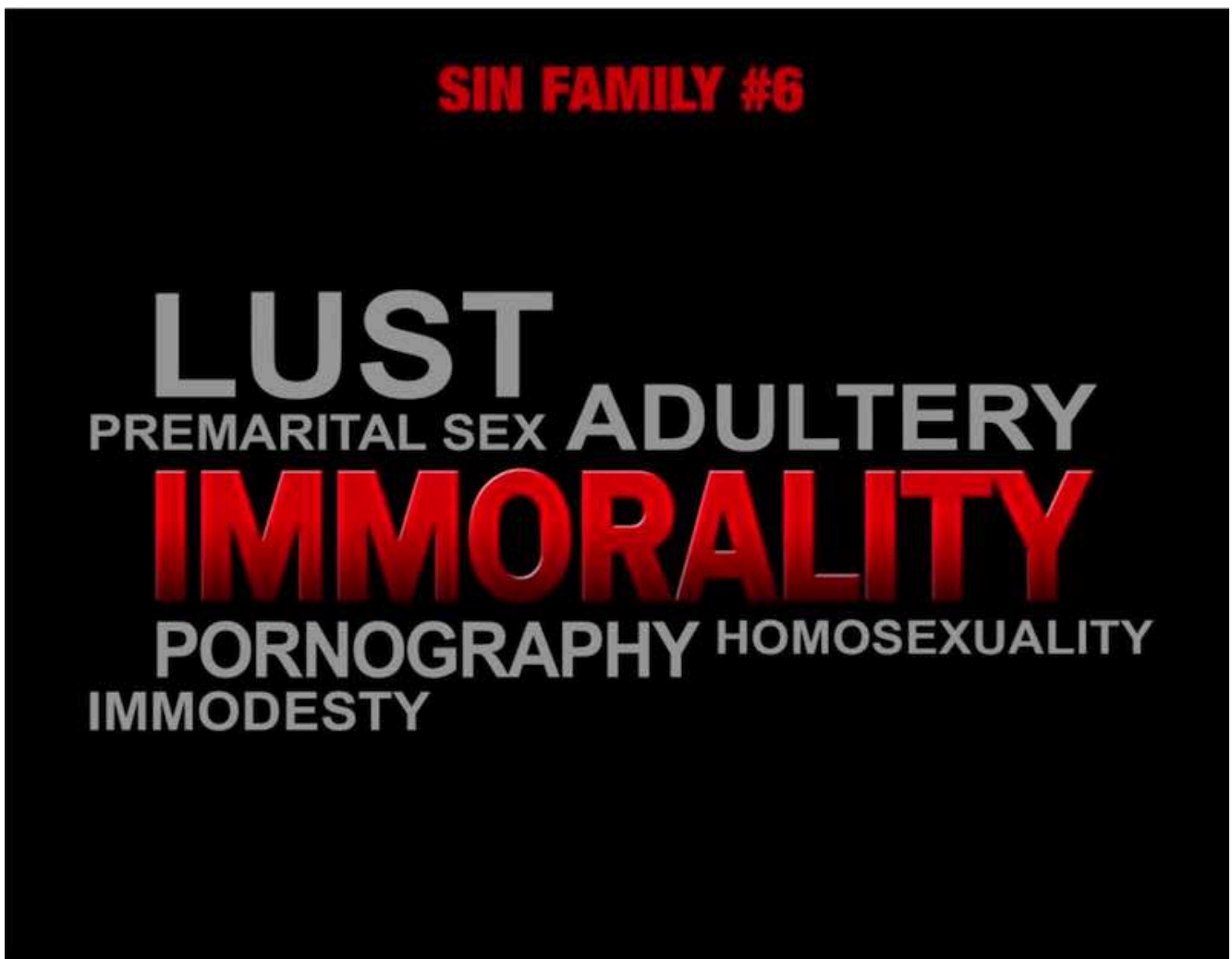
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Addicted to porn? Giving in to sexual temptation? Feeling shame? Sex misused can destroy your relationships and your health.

Immorality's family of behaviors includes lust, premarital sex, adultery, pornography, homosexuality, and immodesty. These can be replaced by *purity*.

Discover how to overcome immorality in its various forms through time-tested insights that really work!



Self-Test

Are You Immoral?

The following self-evaluation quiz will help you determine whether you have a tendency toward sexual immorality.

- If you are single, will you be able to honestly say to your future spouse that you have saved yourself for him or her?
- If you are married, have you done (or thought about doing) anything sexually that you would want to hide from your spouse?
- Have you ever had an affair while married (or while the other person was married)?
- Have you ever engaged in sex with someone of your own gender?
- Do you ever choose what you will wear based on how effectively it will attract the attention of the opposite sex?
- Do you ever undress a person of the opposite sex with your mind?
- Do you ever look at pornography, whether “soft” or “hard”?
- Do you spend time fantasizing about sex with anyone other than your spouse?

Immorality: Sex Misused

There are many awful ways that the gift of sexuality can be perverted and turned into something degrading and shameful. But the bottom line is that the only place where sexual activity is acceptable is between a man and a woman who are married to each other. As hard as it may seem, sexual abstinence is the requirement for anyone who is not married. And for married couples, sexual attention can be directed only toward your spouse.

Harder than these restrictions are the costs of sexual misbehavior. Guilt. Shame. Abuse. Disease. Broken marriages. Even criminal charges. ([read more](#))

Five Steps to Overcome Immorality

Are you struggling with a habit of sexual immorality? We have outlined a five-step process to help you change and heal in this area of your life. Take all the time you need with each of the steps included in this process. ([read more](#))

Finding Freedom - A True Story

“I’m married and attracted to another person to whom I’m not married.”

This is a comment I hear with increasing frequency coming from both men and women, Christian and non-Christian.

I've had individuals who can't stand the sight of their married partner — much less respond physically — describe a torrid physical affair with someone else — sometimes even a stranger — who is not nearly as attractive or personable as the marriage partner. The new involvement is simply an expression of resentment or retaliation. Surely it is not an expression of the love of God. ([read more](#))

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God's will is for you to be holy, so stay away from all sexual sin. Then each of you will control his own body and live in holiness and honor—not in lustful passion like the pagans who do not know God and his ways. (1 Thessalonians 4:3-5, NLT2)

But I say, anyone who even looks at a woman with lust has already committed adultery with her in his heart. (Matthew 5:28, NLT2)

I say then: Walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh. (Galatians 5:16, NKJV)

A man who divorces his wife, unless she has been unfaithful, causes her to commit adultery. And anyone who marries a divorced woman also commits adultery. (Matthew 5:32, NLT2)

Give honor to marriage, and remain faithful to one another in marriage. God will surely judge people who are immoral and those who commit adultery. (Hebrews 13:4, NLT2)

Run from sexual sin! No other sin so clearly affects the body as this one does. For sexual immorality is a sin against your own body. Don't you realize that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit, who lives in you and was given to you by God? You do not belong to yourself, for God bought you with a high price. So you must honor God with your body. (1 Corinthians 6:18-20, NLT2)

Do not practice homosexuality, having sex with another man as with a woman. It is a detestable sin. (Leviticus 18:22, NLT2)

Consider yourselves to be dead to the power of sin and alive to God through Christ Jesus. (Romans 6:11, NLT2)

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