

# SESSION 1

## A Common Struggle, Pt. 1



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The first key is \_\_\_\_\_.

*For you know what commandments we gave you by the authority of the Lord Jesus. For this is the will of God, your sanctification; that is, that you abstain from sexual immorality; that each of you know how to possess his own vessel in sanctification and honor, not in lustful passion, like the Gentiles who do not know God...*

— 1 Thessalonians 4:2-5

Have you \_\_\_\_\_ that God has \_\_\_\_\_ about sexual immorality?

Are you willing to be \_\_\_\_\_ to his will?

ADAM IN GARDEN	JESUS IN WILDERNESS
<b>Core Bent:</b>	<b>Core Bent:</b>
Remained Silent	Spoke Proactively
Disbelieved	Trusted
Disobeyed	Obedied
Judgment	Blessing

The second key is \_\_\_\_\_.

*If there is a man who commits adultery with another man's wife, one who commits adultery with his friend's wife, the adulterer and the adulteress shall surely be put to death.*

— Leviticus 20:10

To avoid the \_\_\_\_\_ of adultery does not mean we have actually avoided the sin.

*You have heard the commandment that says, "You must not commit adultery." But I say, anyone who even looks at a woman with lust has already committed adultery with her in his heart.*

— Matthew 5:27-28

The immoral man lives like a \_\_\_\_\_, selfishly bringing \_\_\_\_\_ instead of life.

- He steals from \_\_\_\_\_.
- He steals from \_\_\_\_\_.
- He steals from \_\_\_\_\_.
- He steals from \_\_\_\_\_.

### CONSEQUENCES OF THIS LIFE

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## **A GOSPEL-DRIVEN DECISION**

*Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him, knowing that Christ, having been raised from the dead, is never to die again; death no longer is master over Him. For the death that He died, He died to sin, once for all; but the life that He lives, He lives to God. Even so consider yourselves to be dead to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus. Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body that you should obey its lusts, and do not go on presenting the members of your body to sin as instruments of unrighteousness; but present yourselves to God as those alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness to God.*

— Romans 6:8-13

Decide not to let sexual sin \_\_\_\_\_ your life and to give your \_\_\_\_\_ to God.

## Discussion Questions

1. As a group, list four more consequences of a life of immorality.
2. Are there any areas of sexuality where you feel God has been unclear or you have wondered what his will is?
3. Why is it so difficult for most men to acknowledge and submit to God's authority in this area of life?
4. What are some ways you have struggled to walk in integrity? How has that affected your life/ soul?
5. Are you at a place in your life where you are ready to make a decision to be pure? Why?