AFFAIR-PROOFING YOUR MARRIAGE

Exodus 20:4 "You shall not commit adultery."

"Marriage is to be held in honor among all, and the marriage bed is to be undefiled; for fornicators and adulterers God will judge. Heb. 13:4

I. THE PROBLEM: WHAT CAUSES AFFAIRS?

"Adultery is a trap..." Pr. 22:14 (GN)

- Unmet _____
- Unfulfilled ______
- Unresolved ______
- Undeveloped ______

II. THE PREVENTION: SIX STEPS

1. MAKE A COMMITMENT TO_

"How can a young man keep his way pure? By keeping it according to Your word. "Ps. 119:9 "Be faithful to your own wife and give your love to her alone." Pr. 5:15 (GN)

2. MAGNIFY _____

"The one who commits adultery with a woman is lacking sense; He who would destroy himself does it." Pr. 6:32 "...adultery will cost a man all he has." Pr. 6:26 (GN)

3. MAINTAIN MY _____

"The husband must fulfill his duty to his wife, and likewise also the wife to her husband." I Cor. 7:3 "Stop depriving one another, except by agreement for a time, so that you may devote yourselves to prayer, and come together again so that Satan will not tempt you because of your lack of self-control." I Cor. 7:5

4. MANAGE MY _____

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How Affairs Develop

1st Accepting _____in my mind

2nd Emotional, _____ involvement

3rd _____ involvement

4th Rationalizing _____

"Temptation is the pull of a person's own evil thoughts and wishes. These evil thoughts lead to evil actions and afterwards to death." James 1:14-15 (LB) "Turn your back on lustful desires and give your positive attention to goodness, integrity,

love, and peace..." 2 Tim. 2:22 (Ph)

"I want you to be wise in what is good and innocent in what is evil." Rom 16:19

5. MAINTAIN PROPER _____

"But among you there must not be even a hint of sexual immorality." Eph. 5:3

6. MINIMIZE THE _

"Therefore let him who thinks he stands take heed that he does not fall." 1 Cor 10:12 "Bad company corrupts good character." I Cor. 15:33 "Guard yourself in your spirit, and do not break faith with your wife." Mal. 2:15

III. THE PATHWAY BACK TO PURITY

- Acknowledge _____ (Ps. 51:1-4)
- End the relationship _____
- ALL contact with the person from now on. Do whatever it takes to do this!