

A STUDY OF

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INCREASE ASSURANCE

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INTRODUCTION





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OUR VISION:

To raise up anointed disciple-makers who are empowered to change their world for Christ.

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**2022 - OUR YEAR OF
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Genesis 26:12 (ESV)

12 And Isaac sowed in that land and reaped in the same year a hundredfold. The Lord blessed him,



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1 Thessalonians 4:1-2 (NIV)

1 As for other matters, brothers and sisters, we instructed you how to live in order to please God, as in fact you are living. Now we ask you and urge you in the Lord Jesus to do this more and more. 2 For you know what instructions we gave you by the authority of the Lord Jesus.



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BY AVOIDING SEXUAL IMMORALITY

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1 Thessalonians 4:3 (NIV)

3 It is God's will that you should be sanctified: that you should avoid sexual immorality;

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1 Corinthians 6:18

18 Flee from sexual immorality. All other sins a person commits are outside the body, but whoever sins sexually, sins against their own body.

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1 Thessalonians 4:4-5 (NIV)

4 that each of you should learn to control your own body in a way that is holy and honorable, 5 not in passionate lust like the pagans, who do not know God;

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1 Corinthians 6:15-16 (NIV)

15 Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ himself? Shall I then take the members of Christ and unite them with a prostitute? Never! 16 Do you not know that he who unites himself with a prostitute is one with her in body? For it is said, "The two will become one flesh."

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1 Thessalonians 4:6 (NIV)

6 and that in this matter no one should wrong or take advantage of a brother or sister. The Lord will punish all those who commit such sins, as we told you and warned you before.



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1 Thessalonians 4:7-8 (NIV)

7 For God did not call us to be impure, but to live a holy life. 8 Therefore, anyone who rejects this instruction does not reject a human being but God, the very God who gives you his Holy Spirit.



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HOW TO AVOID SEXUAL IMMORALITY

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**A. Recognize that your body is
the temple of the Holy Spirit**

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1 Corinthians 6:18-20 (NIV)

18 Flee from sexual immorality. All other sins a person commits are outside the body, but whoever sins sexually, sins against their own body. 19 Do you not know that your bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; 20 you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your bodies.

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**B. Let the Word of God
transform your life**



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Romans 12:2 (NIV)

Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.

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C. Set boundaries

A scenic view of the Great Wall of China winding through lush green mountains under a cloudy sky. The foreground shows stone ruins of a wall.

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Matthew 5:29-30 (NIV)

29 If your right eye causes you to stumble, gouge it out and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. 30 And if your right hand causes you to stumble, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to go into hell.

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**D. Have a Prayer/
Accountability Partner**

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Proverbs 19:24 (NIV)

One who has unreliable friends soon comes to ruin,
but there is a friend who sticks closer than a brother.



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1 Thessalonians 4:9-10 (NIV)

9 Now about your love for one another we do not need to write to you, for you yourselves have been taught by God to love each other. 10 And in fact, you do love all of God's family throughout Macedonia. Yet we urge you, brothers and sisters, to do so more and more,

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John 13:34-35 (NIV)

34 “A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. 35 By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.”

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Proverbs 25:21-22 (NIV)

If your enemy is hungry, give him food to eat;
if he is thirsty, give him water to drink.

22 In doing this, you will heap burning coals on his head,
and the Lord will reward you.



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BY SETTING AN
EXAMPLE
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1 Thessalonians 4:11-12 (NIV)

11 and to make it your ambition to lead a quiet life: You should mind your own business and work with your hands, just as we told you, 12 so that your daily life may win the respect of outsiders and so that you will not be dependent on anybody.



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CONCLUSION

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