



Seducer or Committed? (Part 2)

Proverbs 5-7

Review of Proverbs:

- 1) The fear of the Lord is the beginning.
- 2) God wired the world with wisdom.
- 3) Listen and learn to live wisely.
- 4) Guard your heart to guide your life.

Sex was given by God:

- Not to experience personal gratification
- But to express commitment in a covenant relationship

God's plan promotes love and prevents pain.

Body pain
Soul pain
Spirit pain

Challenges:

- 1) If married, embrace sex as a bond to deepen your intimacy.
- 2) If single,
 - Expect the struggle of waiting.
 - Embrace your gender in a non-erotic way.
 - Demonstrate expanding love in non-exclusive relationships
- 3) If stained,
 - Be washed in the grace of God.
 - Begin to write a new story.

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REALife Application

Use the following questions this week to reflect on what it would mean to align yourself with the truths taught in Scripture. Each question is meant for both personal reflection and as a catalyst for discussion with your family, friends, or REALife Group.

- 1) What is the purpose of sex? Since God could have created any number of “less intense” methods of reproduction, why did he choose sex? (See Gen. 2:23-25, Prov. 5:15-23, 30:18-19)
- 2) God desires to protect us by limiting sex to marriage. What are the problems associated with pre-marital and extra-marital sex? Focus on the problems of both the person and the culture at large. (See Prov. 5-7)
- 3) Proverbs 5:15-19 describes God’s plan for sex within marriage. How can a married couple achieve this type of relationship? (See 1 Cor. 7:2-5, Eph. 5:21-33)
- 4) Do you believe that God’s grace can cleanse even the worst of sinners? (See 1 Tim. 1:15-16, 1 Cor. 6:9-11.) What do you need to do to experience God’s healing and embrace His plan for your sexuality?



Memory Verse

“For a man's ways are in full view of the LORD, and he examines all his paths.”
Proverbs 5:21