the DIFOS message series by Pastor Gregg Matte

January 11, 2009 • Pastor Gregg Matte Part One 1 Thessalonians 4:1-8 (p. 836)

• The birds and the bees starts with a desire to <u>please</u> Him not just following rules.

• God has a will for sex:

- <u>Holy</u> \rightarrow True purity brings true passion.

Purity begins in the eyes and mind. Job 31:1 (p. 376)

- Honorable \rightarrow Sex is to be highly <u>valued</u>.

Impurity brings dishonor, purity brings honor.

• Three verbs for Faithfulness:

Know God and be satisfied. v.1 & 5 (p. 836) Avoid sexual immorality. v. 3 (p.836) Learn to control yourself. v.4 (p. 836)

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Sex education begins at birth whether we intend it to or not. It is important with the prevalence of sexual content in society today that we become proactive in education of not only our children but also ourselves to the dangers of sexual immorality and its effects on us, our family, and generations to come. We have compiled a list of relative resources to help you in the battle.

Books Dealing with Sexual Purity

Every Man's Battle – Steve Arterburn Every Woman's Battle – Steve Arterburn Every Young Man's Battle – Steve Arterburn Out of the Shadows – Patrick Carnes Shattered Vows – Debbie Laaser Breaking Free – Russell Willingham False Intimacy – Harry Schaumberg Passion and Purity – Elizabeth Elliot Sex and the Supremacy of Christ – John Piper Addicted to Love – Stephen Arterburn Addiction...Banquet at the Grave – Edward T. Welch Untangling the Web: Sex, Porn and Fantasy Obsession – Robert Weiss, Jennifer Schneider

Helpful Websites

www.sexhelp.com www.hopeandfreedom.com www.xxxchurch.com

Filters and Accountability Software www.bsafehome.com – filter www.covenanteyes.com – accountability www.accountable2you.com – free accountability www.x3watch.com www.wisechoice.net – filter/accountability www.internetsafety.com

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