

C. Technique #3: **Touch** Control (39:10-12)

Once physical contact is made then it requires more and more to satisfy desires, therefore **limit** physical contact before marriage.

*“27 Can a man take fire to his bosom, And his clothes not be burned?*

*28 Can one walk on hot coals, And his feet not be seared?*

*29 So is he who goes in to his neighbor’s wife; Whoever touches her shall not be innocent”* Proverbs 6:27-29

*“Flee also youthful lusts; but pursue righteousness, faith, love, peace with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart.”* II Timothy 2:22

**CONCLUSION:**

- If you have maintained your sexual purity then purpose to keep it.

*“But Daniel purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself...”* Daniel 1:8a

*“But I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection: lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway.”* I Corinthians 9:27

- If you have not maintained your sexual purity then ask for God’s forgiveness and live a pure life.

*“If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.”* I John 1:9

*“...go, and sin no more.”* John 8:11b

**TEMPTED**  
**Tempted By Sex**  
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**INTRODUCTION**

- A. Temptation can have the appearance of looking good. You take the first bite, but in a short time, it will turn around and bite you! We have all given into temptation only to find ourselves in pain.

*“12 Blessed is the man who endures temptation; for when he has been approved, he will receive the crown of life which the Lord has promised to those who love Him.*

*13 Let no one say when he is tempted, “I am tempted by God”; for God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does He Himself tempt anyone.*

*14 But each one is tempted when he is drawn away by his own desires and enticed.*

*15 Then, when desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, brings forth death.*

*16 Do not be deceived, my beloved brethren.”*

James 1:12-16

- B. In this series, come and find hope and relief in dealing with these topics of temptation!

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What’s hidden in the dark is never good!

- C. **Text:** Genesis 39:1-12 (Pew Bible/Pg 40/Old Test.)

### WHAT TO DO WHEN TEMPTED BY SEX

#### I. REMEMBER THE **PRESENCE** OF GOD (39:1-6a)

*“And there is no creature hidden from His sight, but all things are naked and open to the eyes of Him to whom we must give account.”*  
Hebrews 4:13

*“15 Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I then take the members of Christ and make them members of a harlot? Certainly not!*

*16 Or do you not know that he who is joined to a harlot is one body with her? For “the two,” He says, “shall become one flesh.”*

*17 But he who is joined to the Lord is one spirit with Him.*

*18 Flee sexual immorality. Every sin that a man does is outside the body, but he who commits sexual immorality sins against his own body.”*  
I Corinthians 6:15-18

#### II. RECOGNIZE THE **PLAN** OF GOD (39:6b-8a)

*“24 Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and they shall become one flesh.*

*25 And they were both naked, the man and his wife, and were not ashamed.”*  
Genesis 2:24-25

*“Marriage is honorable among all, and the bed undefiled; but fornicators and adulterers God will judge.”*

Hebrews 13:4

*““I have made a covenant with my eyes; Why then should I look upon a young woman?”*  
Job 31:1

*“12 Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body, that you should obey it in its lusts.*

*13 And do not present your members as instruments of unrighteousness to sin, but present yourselves to God as being alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness to God.*

*14 For sin shall not have dominion over you, for you are not under law but under grace.”*  
Romans 6:12-14

#### III. RELY ON THE **POWER** OF GOD (39:8b-12)

*“But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellence of the power may be of God and not of us.”*

II Corinthians 4:7

##### A. Technique #1: **Word** Control (39:8b)

Untamed words often lead to untamed **actions**.

*“1 My son, pay attention to my wisdom; Lend your ear to my understanding,*

*2 That you may preserve discretion, And your lips may keep knowledge.*

*3 For the lips of an immoral woman drip honey, And her mouth is smoother than oil;”*  
Proverbs 5:1-3

*“Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart Be acceptable in Your sight, O LORD, my strength and my Redeemer.”*  
Psalm 19:14

##### B. Technique #2: **Mind** Control (39:8c-9)

Sexual sin always **begins** in the mind.

*“But I say to you that whoever looks at a woman to lust for her has already committed adultery with her in his heart..”*  
Matthew 5:28

*“casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ,”*  
II Corinthians 10:5

*“3 For this is the will of God, your sanctification: that you should abstain from sexual immorality; 4 that each of you should know how to possess his own vessel in sanctification and honor,”*

I Thessalonians 4:3-4

*“...you shall not covet your neighbor’s wife,...”*

Exodus 20:17b