

Introduction

- I. The 7th command teaches us to live in sexual purity in a culture that idolizes sex.
- II. What we must see is that living in sexual purity is about our relationship with God.

Living in Sexual Purity before God

I. **The Covenant of Marriage**

- A. God's Word says that marriage is ordained by God to mirror the covenant of love and friendship God has established with His bride, the church, in Jesus Christ.

- B. Within marriage, God has ordained sex as a good gift that is related to our relationship with Jesus Christ.

- C. There is a great battle going on within us between what I want and what God says.

II. **The Urgent Calling** is to flee fornication and to keep the marriage bed pure.

- A. The Word of God calls us to flee from fornication in a world that pursues fornication. (Colossians 3:5, Heb. 13:4, and I Cor. 6:18)

- B. The 7th command calls us to sexual purity in marriage and in the single life (A. 108).

III. **The Proper Motivation**

- A. What rightly and properly motivates us to live this way? The glory of God.

- B. What motivates us is the remembrance of our relationship with God.