

PRAYER AGAINST SEXUAL IMMORALITY

Key Thought: Sexuality is a gift of God.

Key Scripture: *“But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should she worth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvelous light: Dearly beloved, I beseech you as strangers and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul” (1 Peter 2:9,11).*

Prayer: Thank you for the commandments of your Word, O Lord. They are gifts of love to your people to keep us from falling into destruction. Blessed is the individual who fears you, that delights greatly in your commandments.¹ I want to delight in your law at all times.

Lord, sexual immorality is rampant in our land. Remove the darkness from people’s hearts.² Help them to see that you are able to fill the needs of their hearts so that they will not seek to fill these needs with sexual immorality or any other sin.

Therefore, O Lord, send your Holy Spirit and your anointed messengers to seek and to save those involved in sexual immorality. Prepare the hearts of the sinners to respond and to turn from darkness to light,³ to receive Jesus Christ as their personal Lord and Savior,⁴ to stand fast in the liberty wherewith Christ has set them free and to not be entangled again in the yoke of the bondage of sexual sin.⁵

I lift up to you the following individual(s) who is (are) involved in sexual immorality: _____ . Lead him/her (they/them) back to you, Father. Draw him/her (they/them) unto yourself so that he/she (they/them) will be able to resist the devil in the full knowledge that he will then flee from him/her (they/them).⁶ Let no man say when he is tempted, I am tempted by you, O Lord; for I know that you cannot be tempted with evil, and I know that you do not tempt any man or woman or young person.⁷

Help our young people to flee youthful lusts⁸ instead of running after them. Restore the values of purity and chastity to this generation. Convict those who are involved in sexual immorality of the truth that fornication is a sin. He who commits fornication sins against his own body.⁹ Let the plague of AIDS and other sexually transmitted diseases reveal this truth to our people today.

Lord, I know it grieves you to see so many Christians falling prey to sexual immorality as well. Restore holy vision and a desire for purity to your people, enabling them to understand that their bodies are the temple of your Holy Spirit who lives within them.¹⁰

Deliver our nation from evil in the form of sexual immorality, Lord.¹¹ Restore traditional, Christian values to our country. May we once again see family values taking high priority, a return to monogamy and a realization that sex is a gift from you, Father, a gift that is to be enjoyed within the confines of a marriage of mutual honor, love, trust and commitment. Amen.

Scripture References: (1) Psalms 112:1; (2) Colossians 1:13; (3) Acts 26:18; (4) John 1:12; (5) Galatians 5:1; (6) James 4:7-8; (7) James 1:13; (8) 2 Timothy 2:22; (9) 1 Corinthians 6:18-19; (10) 1 Corinthians 6:19-20; (11) Luke 11:4.

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