## SERMON OUTLINE

## Why Purity is God's Plan Proverbs 5-7

- I. WARNINGS: Immorality is a sure path to pain (Proverbs 5:1-14; 6:23-35; 7:6-27).
  - The brief pleasure of immorality causes life-long pain.

## How moral impurity ruins our life (Proverbs 5)

- 1. Honey/Sword Immorality leads to great pain (5:3-7).
- 2. Strength/years/money Immorality brings losses (5:8-10)
- 3. Groan Immorality leads to disease and death (5:11).
- 4. You will say Immorality brings guilt and regret (5:12-13).
- 5. Ruin Immorality destroys our reputation (5:14).
- II. MOTIVATION: Marriage is the only path to satisfying intimacy (Proverbs 5:15-20).
  - Marriage satisfies sexually only when it is pursued exclusively.
- III. PURPOSE: Moral purity is essential to our relationship with God (Proverbs 5:21-23).
  - Our purity or impurity is completely visible to God.

## **How to Find Spiritual Victory**

- 1. Confess sin and embrace God's forgiveness (1 John 1:9; Psalm 32:1-5)
- 2. Accept the consequences of past sin as God's loving discipline (Proverbs 2:11-12).
- 3. Recognize and rely on God's power over my sin.
  - I don't have to sin (Romans 6:6-13).
  - Christ defeated sin's power (Romans 8:9-13).
  - I can consciously rely on the Spirit (Galatians 5:16-22).

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