# Winning the Battle Against Lust

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### "Inordinate Desire"

1. Lust disregards love for God.

Romans 1:21-27

Colossians 3:5

- 2. Lust disregards love for others.
  - 1 Thessalonians 4:1-8

"Beloved, I urge you as sojourners and exiles to abstain from the passions of the flesh, which wage war against your soul."

#### 1 Peter 2:11

"The night is far gone; the day is at hand. So then let us cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light. Let us walk properly as in the daytime, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and sensuality, not in quarreling and jealousy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires."

Romans 13:12-14

## Before you're tempted...

- 1. Purpose in your heart. Dan. 1:8; Job 31:1
- 2. Avoid the danger.2 Tim. 2:22; 1 Cor. 6:18; Rom. 13:14
- 3. Determine not to be a "stumbling block" for someone else.

Matt. 18:5-7; Rom. 14:13, 20-21

## When you're tempted...

Resist.

Matt. 5:27-30; 2 Sam. 11:2-4; Jas. 5:16

If you fail...

Repent.

1 John 1:6-9

For though we walk in the flesh, we are not waging war according to the flesh. For the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh but have divine power to destroy strongholds. We destroy arguments and every lofty opinion raised against the knowledge of God, and take every thought captive to obey Christ