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Proverbs 5; 6; 22; 23

## Dangers of Immorality

Imagine you were driving along a country road and came to a roadblock with a bright orange sign that read “**DANGER! ROAD CLOSED!**” What would you do? Would you ignore the sign and go on, or would you turn around and go another way?

Imagine you picked up a bottle of a delicious soft drink, but found a warning label that read “**DANGER! POISON!**” What would you do? Would you ignore the warning label and drink the soft drink, or would you throw it away and get a different bottle?

We live in a very immoral world. Immorality is accepted and promoted as a normal way of life. Forty percent of the babies born in America are born to unmarried mothers. God (through Solomon) has given us some very clear warning signs concerning the dangers of immorality. Let’s learn about these dangers.

### Immorality May be Alluring, But it is Deceptive and Deadly

- Prov. 5:1-2** Why did Solomon want his son to listen to him?
- Prov. 5:3** How did he describe the lips of a strange (immoral) woman?
- Prov. 5:4** She may appear and talk as sweet as honey, but what is her **end** (future)?
- Prov. 5:5** Where do her feet lead?
- Prov. 5:6** Why shouldn’t we think about her way of life?
- Prov. 5:7** What did Solomon tell his son?
- Prov. 5:8-9** Why should we stay away from immoral people?
- Prov. 5:10** What will happen to our wealth if we’re immoral?
- Prov. 5:11** What else will happen if we are immoral?
- Prov. 5:12-14** How will we one day feel about our immorality?

The devil wraps up his most dangerous weapons in pretty packages (Prov. 11:22; 2 Cor. 11:14-15), just as a fisherman disguises the hook with an attractive and desirable worm. If we’re foolish enough to fall for the bait, we **will** get hooked, and we **will** die!

### Immorality Carries A High Price

- Prov. 6:23-24** What’s the value of God’s commandments?

- Prov. 6:25 “\_\_\_\_\_ not after her \_\_\_\_\_ in thine \_\_\_\_\_; neither let her \_\_\_\_\_ thee with her \_\_\_\_\_.”
- Prov. 6:26 What happens to the man who foolishly gets involved with an immoral woman?
- Prov. 6:27 What happens if you put fire in your chest?
- Prov. 6:28 What happens if you walk on hot coals?
- Prov. 6:29 Just as you will get burned by doing either of those stupid things, adultery will **hurt** you!
- Prov. 6:30 Why don't men despise the thief who steals bread?
- Prov. 6:31 What must that thief do if he is caught?
- Prov. 6:32 “But whoso committeth \_\_\_\_\_ with a woman lacketh \_\_\_\_\_: he that doeth it \_\_\_\_\_ his own \_\_\_\_\_.”
- Prov. 6:33 What will **never** be wiped away?
- Prov. 6:34-35 How will the spouse of the person with whom someone commits adultery respond?

### Immorality is a Sign of God's Judgment

- Prov. 22:14 “The mouth of strange women is a \_\_\_\_\_.” If you **stay far away**, you can't fall in. Who **will** fall into immorality?

### Immorality is Easy to Fall Into, But Hard to Escape

- Prov. 23:27 “For a \_\_\_\_\_ is a deep \_\_\_\_\_; and a \_\_\_\_\_ woman is a narrow \_\_\_\_\_.”  
A deep ditch or narrow pit is almost impossible to escape, so you'd better **stay far from it**.

**Concluding Thoughts:** God gives us warnings about immorality:

- Immorality may be alluring, but it is deceptive and deadly.
- Immorality carries a high price.
- Immorality is a sign of God's judgment.
- Immorality is easy to fall into, but hard to escape.

These are just some of the dangers of immorality. The important question is this: **What will YOU do about these warnings?** Will you ignore these warnings and play around with immorality? If you do, you're more certain to get hurt than if you ignored the warning label and drank a bottle of poison.

Live wisely. **Run** from immorality. **Stop** looking at suggestive material. **Stay away** from immoral people. If you don't, you'll fall into a deep pit, and you may **never** get out!

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**Project:** Memorize **Proverbs 6:32**. Tell someone this week about the dangers of immorality.