

**HOW TO AFFAIR-PROOF YOUR MARRIAGE**  
**Extreme Home Make Over for Couples - Part 7 Of 12**  
**Exodus 20:14 & Selected Scriptures**  
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"You must not be guilty of adultery." Exodus 20:14  
"Honor marriage, and guard the sacredness of sexual intimacy between wife and husband. God draws a firm line against casual and illicit sex." Hebrews 13:4 (Mes.)

**THE PROBLEM:**

"Adultery is a trap . . ." Pr. 22:14 (GN)  
"Keep watch, and pray so that you will not fall into temptation." Matt. 26:41 (GN)

**What causes affairs?**

- \* Unmet Needs
- \* Unfulfilled expectations
- \* Uncontrolled thoughts

**THE PROCESS OF IMMORALITY:**

"Temptation is the pull of a person's own evil thoughts and wishes. These evil thoughts led to evil actions and afterwards to death." James 1:14-15 (LB)

**How Affairs Develop**

- \* **Step One: Accepting sinful thoughts in your mind.**
- \* **Step Two: Non-physical, emotional involvement**
- \* **Step Three: Physical involvement**

**THE PATHWAY BACK TO PURITY:**

1) Acknowledge \_\_\_\_\_.  
"O loving and kind God, have mercy . . . take away the awful stain of my transgressions . . . cleanse me from this guilt . . . For I admit my shameful deed -- it haunts me day and night. It is against you... that I have sinned. . . ." Psalm 51:1-4 (LB)

2) End the relationship \_\_\_\_\_.  
"Now is the time . . . Today if you hear God's voice speaking to you, do not harden your heart against Him . . . ." Heb 3:15 (LB)

3) Do whatever it takes to \_\_\_\_\_ all contact with that person from now on.

"The wrong desires that come into your life aren't anything new and different. Many others have faced exactly the same problems before you. And no temptation is irresistible . . . God will show you how to escape. . . ." 1 Cor. 10:13 (LB)

**IV. THE PREVENTIVE STEPS:**

1) Make a \_\_\_\_\_ to God's standard of morality. "How can a young man keep his way pure? By living according to your Word." Ps. 119:9  
"Close your heart to every love but mine; hold no one in your arms but me." Song of Sol. 8:6 (GN)

2) \_\_\_\_\_ your marriage.  
"Do not cheat each other of normal sexual intercourse . . . or you will expose yourselves to the obvious temptation of Satan." 1 Cor. 7:5 (Ph)  
"...Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs." 1 Cor.13:4-5

3) Manage your \_\_\_\_\_.  
"Turn your back on lustful desires... and give your positive attention to goodness, integrity, love and peace in company with those who approach the Lord in sincerity." 2 Tim. 2:22 (Ph)

4) Minimize the \_\_\_\_\_ to be tempted.  
"Keep watch and pray that you fall not into temptation." Matthew 26:41  
"Bad company corrupts good character." 1 Cor. 15:33

5) Maintain the \_\_\_\_\_ with the opposite sex.  
"But among you there must not be even a hint of sexual immorality . . . ." Eph. 5:3