

Se7en "Lust"

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"Stop loving this evil world and all that it offers you, for when you love the world, you show that you do not have the love of the Father in you. For the world offers only the lust for physical pleasure, the lust for everything we see, and pride in our possessions. These are not from the Father. They are from this evil world. And this world is fading away, along with everything it craves. But if you do the will of God, you will live forever." **1 John 2:15-17 NLT**

Definition: _____.

"But people are tempted when their own evil desire leads them away and traps them. This desire leads to sin, and then the sin grows and brings death."

James 1:14-15 NCV

The Downward Spiral

David was distracted. _____.

He was out at night alone. _____.

He looked for too long. _____.

He lusted. _____.

He investigated. _____.

He chose to sin. _____.

To Defeat Lust in My Life I Must

1. Admit when you are _____.

- Honesty is the best policy.

"When I kept it all inside, my bones turned to powder, my words became daylong groans. The pressure never let up; all the juices of my life dried up. Then I let it all out; I said, 'I'll make a clean breast of my failures to GOD.' Suddenly the pressure was gone— my guilt dissolved, my sin disappeared."

Psalm 32:3-5. MSG

- You can run but you can't hide.

"Nothing in all creation can hide from him. Everything is naked and exposed before his eyes. This is the God to whom we must explain all that we have done." **Hebrews 4:13.NLT**

- You are not alone.

"Yes, what joy for those whose record the LORD has cleared of sin, whose lives are lived in complete honesty!" **Psalm 32:2 NLT**

Is this easy for me? _____

To whom am I accountable to? _____

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2. Ask God to give you a _____.

"Create in me a pure heart, God, and make my spirit right again. Do not send me away from you or take your Holy Spirit away from me." **Psalm 51:10-11**

3. Ask God to change _____.

"Don't be so naive and self-confident. You're not exempt. You could fall flat on your face as easily as anyone else. Forget about self-confidence; it's useless. Cultivate God-confidence."

1 Corinthians 10:12 MSG

4. Avoidance helps you in _____.

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James 1:14-15 NCV

"Flee also youthful lusts; but pursue righteousness, faith, love, and peace with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart." **2 Timothy 2:22**

I will run from lust by _____.

I will run to God by: _____.

Next Steps:

1. Intentionally make friends with positive believers.
2. Begin a pattern of personal prayer for my life.
3. Study the Bible.
4. Become a Christ follower.

Resources: "No Easy Road" by Dick Eastman

Xxxchurch.com, Collect a Pure Life Ministries resources catalog from the Welcome Center

"Every Man's Battle" by Stephen Arterburn & Fred Stoeker

"Every Young Woman's Battle" by Shannon Ethridge

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