

# Mountaineering with the Master: If Looks Could Kill, Part III

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*You have heard the commandment that says, 'You must not commit adultery.' But I say, anyone who even looks at a woman with lust has already committed adultery with her in his heart. So if your eye—even your good eye—causes you to lust, gouge it out and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. And if your hand—even your stronger hand—causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to be thrown into hell....*

(Matthew 5:27-30; NLT)

## *I say to you...*

- The pronoun *I* is \_\_\_\_\_

## *Looks...*

- The word *looks* is a \_\_\_\_\_ participle

*Run from sexual sin! No other sin so clearly affects the body as this one does...*

(I Corinthians 6:18; NLT and II Timothy 2:22; NLT)

- The sin is \_\_\_\_\_ in the temptation!

## *With lust...*

- Is lust bad?
- *Lust* = \_\_\_\_\_ craving or desire
- So, is lust bad? Depends on the \_\_\_\_\_ of our craving!

## *Has already committed adultery...*

- *Adultery* = a sexual relationship between two people in which at least one of those involved is married to someone else
- Fornication = a sexual relationship between \_\_\_\_\_ people
- Adultery is one of the most destructive of sins and therefore was punishable by \_\_\_\_\_:

*If a man commits adultery with his neighbor's wife, both the man and the woman who have committed adultery must be put to death... (Leviticus 20:10; NLT)*

*If a man is discovered committing adultery, both he and the woman must die. In this way, you will purge Israel of such evil... (Deuteronomy 22:22; NLT)*

*If a man violates his father by having sex with one of his father's wives, both the man and the woman must be put to death, for they are guilty of a capital offense. If a man has sex with his daughter-in-law, both must be put to death. They have committed a perverse act and are guilty of a capital offense. If a man practices homosexuality, having sex with another man as with a woman, both men have committed a detestable act. They must both be put to death, for they are guilty of a capital offense. If a man marries both a woman and her mother, he has committed a wicked act. The man and both women must be burned to death to wipe out such wickedness from among you. If a man has sex with an animal, he must be put to death and the animal must be killed. If a woman presents herself to a male animal to have intercourse with it, she and the animal must both be put to death. You must kill both, for they are guilty of a capital offense... (Leviticus 20:11-16; NLT)*

*Don't you realize that those who do wrong will not inherit the Kingdom of God? Don't fool yourselves. Those who indulge in sexual sin, or commit adultery, or are male prostitutes, or practice homosexuality...none of these will inherit the Kingdom of God... (I Corinthians 6:9, 10b; NLT)*

- 7<sup>th</sup> Commandment: You must not commit \_\_\_\_\_... (Exodus 20:14; NLT)

***In his heart...***

- Jesus works from the \_\_\_\_\_ out!

*Guard your heart, for everything you do flows from it... (Proverbs 4:23; NIV)*

*It's from the heart that we vomit up evil arguments, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, lies and cussing. That's what pollutes... (Matthew 15:19; MSG)*

*We take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ... (II Corinthians 10:5; NIV)*

- The battle is for our brain!

1. What we \_\_\_\_\_ is really who we are!

✓ *As a face is reflected in water, so the heart reflects the real person... (Proverbs 27:19; NLT)*

✓ *As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he... (Proverbs 23:7; KJV)*

✓ The most important sexual organ you have is your

\_\_\_\_\_

2. What we think about often becomes our \_\_\_\_\_!

3. Our thought life \_\_\_\_\_ be (must be) controlled!

- Jesus said that there are \_\_\_\_\_ singles in heaven:

*For when the dead rise, they will neither marry nor be given in marriage... (Matthew 22:30; NLT)*

- Sexual sins will \_\_\_\_\_ be corrected by marriage!

*Godliness with contentment is great gain... (1 Timothy 6:6; KJV)*

### **Right eye...right hand...**

- If the problem is in the heart, what good is plucking out an eye or cutting off a hand?

*If your right eye causes you to stumble...And if your right hand causes you to stumble... (Matthew 5:29, 30; NIV)*

- **Stumble** = the bait stick that springs the \_\_\_\_\_

- What can we do to keep from stumbling?

1. Feed your \_\_\_\_\_

✓ *What you feed your mind grows.* –John Wesley

2. \_\_\_\_\_ the source! Some sources that may need starving:

✓ \_\_\_\_\_

✓ \_\_\_\_\_

✓ \_\_\_\_\_ influences

- We're all murderers and adulterers!
- Have you found the freedom of asking God to forgive you and trusting in Jesus?

*To Him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you before His glorious presence without fault and with great joy—to the only God our Savior be glory, majesty, power and authority, through Jesus Christ our Lord, before all ages, now and forevermore! Amen...*

*(Jude 24, 25; NIV)*