

LUST VERSUS LOVE

Introduction: After giving his personal messages to the church of Thessalonica, Paul then begins to challenge them with _____ instructions. He begins with the key area of life concerning moral _____.

- I. Lust that thinks only of _____ (1 Thessalonians 4:1-8)
 - A. Paul based his appeals on the _____ of the Lord Jesus.
 - B. Using God's _____ in your appeals will give the authority you need.
 - C. God cares about how we _____ --how we live our daily lives.
 - D. The Christian life is not a list of dos and don'ts, but a relationship where we are to _____ God.
 - E. Paul was just _____ them of what they already knew.
 - F. God's revealed will for believers is _____.
 - G. Sanctification is "to be set apart for _____ use."
 - H. Purity is _____ to the Lord.
 - I. Your body belongs to the Lord, not _____ (1 Cor. 6:18-20).
 - J. Fornication is any "_____ sexual activity."
 - K. We must be _____ if we desire to be used by God (2 Tim. 2:19-22).
 - L. Believers are to carry themselves in _____.
 - M. To give into lust is to live as the _____ do (1 Pe. 4:1-4).
 - N. God has given us the means to have _____ (Gal. 5:24).
 - O. Fornication isn't just a sin against your own body; it's against _____.
 - P. God will _____ this sin (Heb. 13:4).
 - Q. The Holy Spirit _____ within and will give us the victory.
- II. Love that thinks only of _____ (1 Thessalonians 4:9-12)
 - A. Unlike lust, love seeks the _____ of another.
 - B. Lust _____, but love _____.
 - C. Love promotes _____ in the church (Ps. 133:1).
 - D. Living a quiet life is one of _____; to be less frantic.
 - E. _____ your own business is a Christian virtue.
 - F. Christians should be willing to _____ to support themselves.
 - G. Doing these things will bring favor with _____ and God.

Conclusion: Love is the key word of Christianity; lust is the key word of heathenism. "Not only is the believer to have a controlled body; he should also have a heart of love for his brothers in the Lord" (MacDonald).