God's Design for Purity

Genesis 39

Introduction: God has not only <u>saved</u> us, but is also in the process of <u>saving</u> us.

Key Truth: Moral purity is attainable if you will, by God's grace, follow Biblical principles.

Psalm 119:9

I. Principles for **Keeping Your Way Pure**

A. Reject Self-pity

"As Christians we should never feel <u>sorry</u> for ourselves. The moment we do so, we lose our energy, we lose the will to fight and the will to live, and are paralyzed." - D. Martyn Lloyd-Jones

"To <u>rationalize</u> is to allow my mind to find reasons to excuse what my conscience knows is wrong." - Denny Burk

B. Trust God's Providential Control

1 Thessalonians 5:18

Ephesians 5:20

"A firm faith in the universal <u>providence</u> of God is the solution of all earthly problems." - B.B. Warfield

C. Honor Trust

Malachi 2:13-15

Proverbs 31:10-12

1 Thessalonians 4:3-6

D. Avoid **Temptation**

Only a fool puts confidence in his ability to resist temptation.

E. Flee Immorality

1 Corinthians 6:18

2 Timothy 2:22

II. What to Do When You Fail

2 Samuel 11

A. Plead for Mercy

Psalm 51:1-2

B. Confession

Psalm 51:3-5

Proverbs 28:13

1 John 1:9

C. Seek Restoration and Renewal

Psalm 51:6-12