

14. Pure EYES

If only we could control our eyes... One of the key components of getting pure and staying pure is controlling the gaze of our eyes. The Scriptures have a lot to say about our eyes.

Look at the following verses. Ask the Holy Spirit to teach your how to control your eyes.

Mat 6:22,23 The eye is the lamp of the body. If your eyes are good, your whole body will be full of light. But if your eyes are bad, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light within you is darkness, how great is that darkness!

Prov 27:20 Death and Destruction are never satisfied, and neither are the eyes of man.

Prov 4:23-28 Above all else, guard your heart, for it is the wellspring of life. Put away perversity from your mouth; keep corrupt talk far from your lips. Let your eyes look straight ahead, fix your gaze directly before you. Make level paths for your feet and take only ways that are firm. Do not swerve to the right or the left; keep your foot from evil.

Psa 101:2,3 I will be careful to lead a blameless life—when will you come to me? I will walk in my house with blameless heart. I will not set before my eyes no vile thing.

Job 31:1 I made a covenant with my eyes not to look lustfully at a girl

Psa 119:37 Turn my eyes away from worthless things; preserve my life according to your word.

1 John 2:15,16 Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For everything in the world—the cravings of sinful man, the lust of his

eyes and the boasting of what he has and does—comes not from the Father but from the world.

MEMORIZE: Job 31:1

Questions:

1. What steps have you taken to ‘control your eyes’?
2. In an honest attempt to control their eyes, a number of people have put filters on their computers, phones, and TV sets. Do you think these things work? Do you have filters? If so, which filters do you use.
3. What does ‘vile’ mean?
4. What does Job mean when he says, “I have made a covenant with my eyes”? Have you made a similar covenant? Why or why not?
5. Pick one of the verses and answer: What does the verse say? (Paraphrase—Rewrite the verse in your own words.)

6. How can I apply the truth of this verse to my life today?

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