

Questions for Consideration—With the Master on the Mount—Lesson 6—
Matthew 5:27-32—Passion *or* Purity?

1. (a) Read Matthew 5:27-32. What are the sins that Jesus mentions in this passage?
(b) What are the solutions to these sins?

2. Memorize Matthew 5:27, 28.

3. (a) What are the ways to avoid adultery according to what Solomon tells his son in Proverbs 5, 6 and 7? (b) How does Solomon describe the adulterous woman in these chapters? (c) What practical things can we do to guard ourselves from the sin of adultery in the 21st century?

4. (a) What happened in each of the following passages when the sin of lusting took place? Genesis 34:1-4; Genesis 39:7-23; 2 Samuel 11:1-5 (b) What should have been done in each of these stories? (c) What should we do when we realize that lust is taking place in our hearts? (This can be sexual lust or other lust.)

5. (a) What does God think about divorce according to Malachi 2:15, 16? (b) How does this reconcile with what Jesus says in Matthew 5:31, 32 and what Paul says in 1 Corinthians 7:10-16. (c) How would you counsel a woman whose husband verbally threatens her or physically abuses her? (d) How would you counsel her if he doesn't provide for her or doesn't lead her spiritually?

6. (a) How do you personally deal with temptation, whether sexual or other? (b) What are some practical things that one can do to guard their eyes?

7. 1 Corinthians 10:12 tells us to take heed lest we fall in. Therefore, no one is exempt from sexual temptation. With that in mind, please write a prayer for yourself asking God to protect and help you in this area.