



MESSAGE NOTES  
February 28, 2010  
Week 4  
The Family Man: Affair-proofing Your Marriage

We conclude our series by looking at a highly sensitive but very important topic. In today's world adultery is a huge problem. One 2003 study says that affairs affect 1 out of every 2.7 couples in America. So, today let's look at God's prohibition and His protection as we discuss how we can "affair-proof" our marriages.

**I. PRESCRIPTION FOR THE PROBLEM: God's Prohibition**

- A. God's negatives (Thou shalt not's) have \_\_\_\_\_ purposes.
- B. God's prescription is to keep sex in marriage only. Heb 13:4

**II. PRACTICAL PREVENTION FOR THE PROBLEM: God's Protection**

- A. Six steps for affair-proofing your marriage:
  1. M\_\_\_\_\_ a commitment to God's standard.
  2. M\_\_\_\_\_ the consequences. Proverbs 6:27-29
  3. M\_\_\_\_\_ your mind. Matthew 5:27-28, Romans 16:19
  4. M\_\_\_\_\_ your marriage partnership. 1 Corinthians 7:5  
His Needs, Her Needs - Dr. Willard F. Harley, Jr.
  5. M\_\_\_\_\_ your non-marital relationships properly. Eph. 5:3  
Steps for maintaining proper relationships with others.

Women:

- 1)
- 2)
- 3)

Men:

- 1)
- 2)
- 3)

- 6. M\_\_\_\_\_ the opportunities. 1 Corinthians 10:12

**C. The Pathway Back to Purity**

- 1. Acknowledge the s\_\_\_\_\_.
- 2. End the relationship i\_\_\_\_\_!
- 3. A\_\_\_\_\_ all contact with the person from now on.

## SCRIPTURE TEXT

### Exodus 20:14

“You must not commit adultery...” (Living Bible)

### Hebrews 13:4

“Honor marriage, and guard the sacredness of sexual intimacy between wife and husband. God draws a firm line against premarital and extramarital sex.” (Message)

*Scripture taken from the Holy Bible, version as listed  
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## ADDITIONAL NOTES