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Run Well

How valuable do you think that you are to me? What price do you think I would be willing to pay for you? Let's say that your life was gripped in the clutches of evil and completely entwined in sin. What do you think that I would be willing to do to set you free?

I know the answer because you have already done it. You've already paid the price. You were willing to come to earth to die in my place as payment for my sin. Your death has set me free and broken the power of sin over my life. I am no longer in its grip and entwined in its bondage.

You missed one of my questions. Which one? **The first one.** **How valuable are you to me? What does my sacrifice say about your value?** It says that I am priceless to you. There was no amount of worldly currency that could have bought my freedom. So, you paid for me personally with your own life.

That's right. That's exactly what I did for you. I want to ask you again. Why did I die for you? You died to set me free from sin. **What did I want from you, once you were free from your sin?** You wanted a relationship with me. **What do you think that I expect your attitude toward sin to be?** You want me to flee from it. **Why is that?** You don't want me to be held in its grip or be entangled by it again. **Very good. Lets talk about that.**

I want you to think about the start of a race. The runners are in the starting blocks. "Ready" and "set" have been announced. The starter's finger is beginning to pull the trigger. You are the runner in lane three. What are you about to do? I'm about to burst out of the starting blocks with every ounce of energy and speed that I have. **The starter's gun has gone off and you're running. What are you thinking about? Where are your eyes looking? What has your attention?** I'm thinking about running well. My eyes are on the finish line. My attention is entirely on finishing the race.

I want you to flee sin with the same determination of a runner leaving the starting blocks. The race is your life. You will run well as you keep your eyes on me. Don't let anything from the world crowd into your life to distract you. Your coach in your race through life is the Holy Spirit living inside of you. Listen to him. He will guide every one of your steps. The finish line is heaven. I'm waiting to greet you there. But now, we are cheering for you. Run well, my child. Run well.

Lord, thank you for setting me free. Help me to run away from sexual immorality and sins of every kind. Holy Spirit, I want to honor God with my body. Show me how sin is attempting to enslave me again so I can sprint away from it. Amen

Identity *Temple Of The Holy Spirit*

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NIV 1 Corinthians 6:18-20

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Run from sexual sin! No other sin so clearly affects the body as this one does. For sexual immorality is a sin against your own body. Don't you realize that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit, who lives in you and was given to you by God? You do not belong to yourself, for God bought you with a high price. So you must honor God with your body.

NLT 1 Corinthians 6:18-20

Identity *Temple Of The Holy Spirit*

Shun fornication! Every sin that a person commits is outside the body; but the fornicator sins against the body itself. Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own? For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body.

NRSV 1 Corinthians 6:18-20

Identity *Temple Of The Holy Spirit*

Shun immorality and all sexual looseness [flee from impurity in thought, word, or deed]. Any other sin which a man commits is one outside the body, but he who commits sexual immorality sins against his own body. Do you not know that your body is the temple (the very sanctuary) of the Holy Spirit Who lives within you, Whom you have received [as a Gift] from God? You are not your own, You were bought with a price [purchased with a preciousness and paid for, made His own]. So then, honor God and bring glory to Him in your body.

AMP 1 Corinthians 6:18-20

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NASB 1 Corinthians 6:18-20

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ESV 1 Corinthians 6:18-20

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NKJV 1 Corinthians 6:18-20

Identity *Place Of The Holy Spirit*

There is a sense in which sexual sins are different from all others. In sexual sin we violate the sacredness of our own bodies, these bodies that were made for God-given and God-modeled love, for "becoming one" with another. Or didn't you realize that your body is a sacred place, the place of the Holy Spirit? Don't you see that you can't live however you please, squandering what God paid such a high price for? The physical part of you is not some piece of property belonging to the spiritual part of you. God owns the whole works. So let people see God in and through your body.

MSG 1 Corinthians 6:18-20

Identity *Home Of The Holy Spirit*

That is why I say to run from sex sin. No other sin affects the body as this one does. When you sin this sin it is against your own body. Haven't you yet learned that your body is the home of the Holy Spirit God gave you, and that he lives within you? Your own body does not belong to you. For God has bought you with a great price. So use every part of your body to give glory back to God because he owns it.

TLB 1 Corinthians 6:18-20

Identity *Temple For The Holy Spirit*

So run away from sexual sin. Every other sin people do is outside their bodies, but those who sin sexually sin against their own bodies. You should know that your body is a temple for the Holy Spirit who is in you. You have received the Holy Spirit from God. So you do not belong to yourselves, because you were bought by God for a price. So honor God with your bodies.

NCV 1 Corinthians 6:18-20

Temple Of The Holy Spirit

Year _____ Week _____ Day _____ Date _____

Identity – 1 Corinthians 6:18-20

In Context: Read 1 Corinthians 6

Begin With Prayer:

Here I am Lord. I Am Listening.

Meditating On God's Word: ***(What is God speaking to your heart?)***

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Considering The Words: ***(What words speak to your heart?)***

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Praying The Scripture: ***(What prayer from your heart will you write?)***

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What It Means: ***(What questions speak to your heart?)*** *(Suggested questions for small group discussion are in bold)*

What price did God pay to secure your freedom from the grip, entanglement and power of sin?

What did the price that God was willing to pay for you say about your value to Him?

Who do you now belong to since God paid for you with Christ's death on the cross?

What gift did God put inside of you when He made you His own?

How do the lusts and entanglements of this world attempt to enslave you to them again?

What steps are you taking to sprint away from sexual immorality and sins of every kind?

How are you honoring God with your body as you live your life for Him?

Living It Out: ***(What action step is God guiding your heart to take?)***

Sprint away from sexual immorality and honor God with your body, which is, the temple of the Holy Spirit.

Seeing It Happen: ***(What are you trusting God for in your heart?)***

Have faith that the Holy Spirit lives inside of you and that you have been given the power to flee sexual immorality.

Get Ready To Share: ***(What can you share with others from your heart?)***

Share with another person or your small group how you are taking steps to sprint away from sexual immorality.

Close With Prayer:

Quiet Yourself Before The Lord

Pause And Offer Prayers Of...

With An Attitude Of Faith Listen To What The Lord Wants To Say To You

Adoration... _____

Thanksgiving... _____

Confession... _____

Intercession... _____

Petition... _____

Journal

As You Quiet Yourself Before The Lord

What Do You Want To Say To Me Lord?

What Prayers Are You Praying Today?

Prayer Of Blessing

(What Prayer Of Blessing Can You Pray For Another?)

May you honor God with your body, the temple of the Holy Spirit, as you flee sexual immorality and every sin.

Prayer To Carry

(What Prayer Would You Like To Carry Throughout Your Day?)

Lord, help me to flee sexual immorality and sins of every kind so that I will be honoring you with my body.

What Do You Want To Remember About Today?

A Question To Ask God

(What Would You Like To Ask God?)

Lord, what do I need to flee so I can honor you in all that I think, say and do today?
