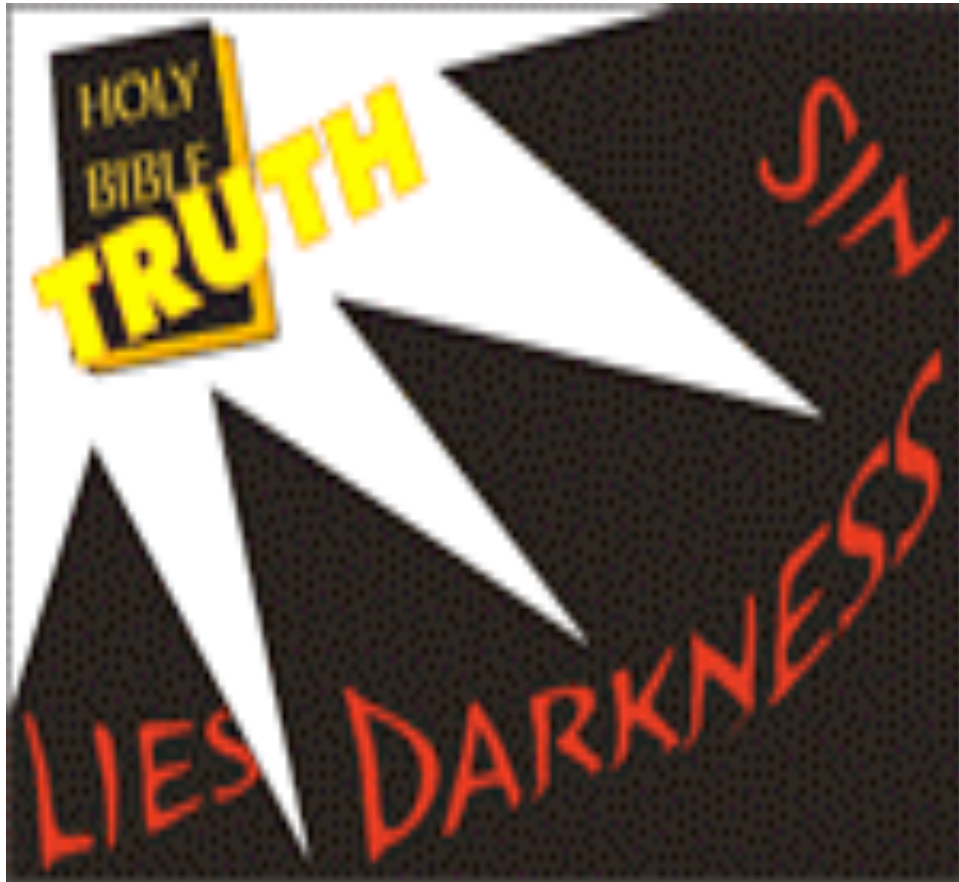


## THE SPIRITUAL CONNECTIONS



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**1 Corinthians 6:18: Flee from sexual immorality. All other sins a man commits are outside the body, but who sins sexually sins against his own body (NIV)**

## **SEXUAL FRUSTRATION**

*By Evangelist Dennis A. Palma*

O Heavenly Father, we give Your thanks, praise and bless Your Holy Name Lord. May we all stay focus on the prize that You have blessed us with Father, the prize of our Risen Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Father let us not forget that when we were in darkness, You bless us with Your Son Jesus. Lord, thank you for Your continual love, grace, and mercy that You have bestowed upon us. Also, Father, please help with our sinful ways. Lord, please bless us with Your Holy Spirit to help us, keep the faith! Father I ask this prayer in Jesus name.....Amen.

Before I get started with this inspired message, I just would like to say thanks to all the people who have hung in there with this ministry. This September 13<sup>th</sup> will mark 8yrs that God has inspired and blessed this ministry with His Divine Presence. It is my prayer, that the Lord will continue to bless this ministry each month with His Divine inspired message. I ask this prayer in Christ Jesus name,.....Amen.

The message this month that I would like to talk about, is another one of great danger to our spirituality. It has to do with our daily sexual frustrations. Speaking from past experiences, sexual fornication out of wedlock, can be spiritually destructive, and will come back to bite us each time.

It is basically a catch 22 when I really think about it, because sexual temptations are difficult to withstand because they appeal to the normal and natural desires that God has given us. You must be saying to yourself, if God created me with normal and natural desires for sex, than what is the problem of spreading my sexuality around. Yes God wants us to share our sexual desires, but not without rules. According to God's Word, sex with multiple or same sex partners, is a sin of the flesh and can cause not only the death of our bodies, but also it can kill our souls if left unchecked!

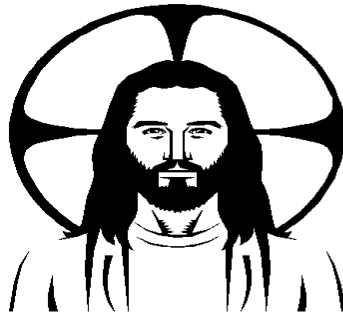
In 1 Corinthians chapter 7, St Paul appeals to our spiritual senses to always remember that spiritually, our bodies belong to God when we become Christians because Jesus Christ bought us by paying the price to release us from sin. Remember, Jesus paid the ultimate price for our sins at the cross. Apostle Paul again, tells us about the struggles throughout the Corinthian church due to sexual sins. The Corinthian church was in turmoil because of immorality and the inability to abstain from sexual perversions

The Bible tells us that we cannot commit sin with our bodies without damaging our souls, because our bodies and souls are inseparably joined. The Bible also tells us that in the new earth we will have resurrection bodies that are not corrupted by sin. We will all enjoy the fullness of our salvation. The problem with sexual immorality is the fact that it is all around us. It is in the movies and on television, sex outside of marriage is treated as a normal, even desirable, part of life, while marriage is often shown as confining and joyless. We can even be looked down on by others if we are suspected of being pure. But God does not forbid sexual sin just to be difficult, He knows it's power to destroy us physically and spiritually. No one should underestimate the power of sexual immorality. It has divested countless lives and has destroyed families, churches, and communities, and even nations. God wants to protect us from damaging ourselves and others, and so He offers to fill us—our loneliness, our desires—with Himself. Christians are free to be all they can be for God, but they are not free *from* God. God created sex to be a beautiful and essential ingredient of marriage, but sexual sin—sex outside the marriage relationship—*always* hurts someone. It hurts God because it shows that we prefer following our own desires instead of the leading of the Holy Spirit. It hurts others because it violates the commitment so necessary to a relationship. It often brings disease to our bodies. And it deeply effects our personality, which respond in anguish when we harm ourselves physically and spiritually. Many people say that they have the right to do whatever they want with their own bodies. Although they think that this is freedom, they are really enslaved to their own desires and have no control over there sinful nature. When we become Christians, the Holy Spirit fills and lives in us. Therefore, we no longer own our bodies. If you live in a building owned by someone else, you try not to violate the building rules. Because your body belongs to God, you must not violate His standards for living. Brother's and sister's, at this time, I am going to leave you with some of “ God's Holy Scriptures,” so that we can all have some spiritual ammunition to help us avoid the devil's deadly traps when it comes to sexual fornication. In **1 Corinthians 10-13** it is written; **No temptation has seized you except what is common to man. And God is faithful; He will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, He will also provide a way out so that you can stand up under it.** **Revelation 14:4** tells us that: **These are those who did not defile themselves with women, for they kept themselves pure. They followed the Lamb wherever He goes. They were purchased from among men and offered as first fruits to God and the Lamb.**

In **1 Corinthians 6:15** God's said: **Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ Himself? Shall I then take the members of Christ and unite them with a prostitute? Never!**

Also the Lord says in **Hebrews 13:4** that; **Marriage should be honored by all, and the marriage bed kept pure, for God will judge the adulterer and all the sexually immoral.** For more inspired scriptures to help alleviate sexual sins read; **1 Corinthians 7:2, 6:13, 6:18—20, 7:8—9**; and **Hebrews 2:18**, Let us pray, Father You created us in Your image, but we have let you down. We have all desecrated our bodies which are Your temple. Lord we know that we are all sinners and have fell so short and not worthy of Your unending love, grace, and mercy. Father please forgive our sinfulness and help us find Your Eternal Light. Lord please help us with Your Divine Holy Spirit, to put on Your armor of Righteousness so we can defend ourselves from the evil one's plan of spiritual destruction. Father, please don't give up on us because of our weak and sinful ways. Lord please keep us all close to You Father. I ask this in Jesus name.....Amen.

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**JESUS CALLING**  
*By Sarah Young*

**I CONTINUALLY CALL YOU** to closeness with Me. I know the depth and breadth of your need for Me. I can read the emptiness of your thoughts when they wonder away from Me. I offer rest for your soul, as well as refreshment for your mind and body. As you increasingly find fulfillment in Me, other pleasures become less important. Knowing Me intimately is like having a private wellspring of Joy within you. This spring flows freely from My throne of grace, so your Joy is independent of circumstances. Waiting in My Presence keeps you connected to Me, aware of all that I offer you. If you feel any deficiency, you need to refocus your attention on me.

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**PROVERBIAL SCRIPTURES FOR LIVING**

**Proverbs 14:5** A truthful witness does not deceive but a false witness pours out lies.

**Proverbs 14:12** There is a way that seems right to a man, but in the end it leads to death.

**Proverbs 15:32** He who ignores discipline despises himself, but whoever heeds correction gains understanding.



**THE MINISTRIES DAILY PRAYER LIST**

*Please pray daily with this ministry for:* Johanna Tyson, Greg Dubois, Joy Valeri, Irena Ratkevitch, Elena Ratkevitch, Cindy Hogman, Joe Longo, and Family, Joe Lakes, Lenora Williams, Mike Buettner, Alexandria Barone Barbra Teto, Jonathan Baker, Keith Regerio Mom De’Matteo and Family, Donna D’Angelous and Family, Dorthy Leary, Andria Arceneaux, Janet Neil, David Stein and Family, Little Claire, Jennie D’Ippolito, Venessa Sedlis-Marino and Family, Patrick Zinck, Pat Sculi.

*Also a prayer for all:* The sick, the poor, the homeless, the helpless, the weary, the lost, the persecuted, the broken hearted, the lame, and all the hatred, the corruption, the violence, the greed, the fornications, and sinfulness around the world.



May we all take a moment of prayer for our troubled country. Dear Lord, we come to You at this time with a special prayer for a spiritual revival for America. Father, instead of trying to take You out of prayer, may we all ask for forgiveness for our sinfulness and pray for your Divine mercy, guidance and grace to move this country forward. Father, please restore our humility and help us all with our prideful ways. Lord we ask this prayer in Christ Jesus name.....Amen.

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