**Series: Steady & Sure – 1 Thessalonians**

**Today: We Live to Please God**

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***1 Thessalonians 4:1-8***

*As for other matters, brothers and sisters, we instructed you how to live in order to please God, as in fact you are living. Now we ask you and urge you in the Lord Jesus to do this more and more. 2For you know what instructions we gave you by the authority of the Lord Jesus.*

*3It is God’s will that you should be sanctified: that you should avoid sexual immorality; 4that each of you should learn to control your own bodyin a way that is holy and honorable, 5not in passionate lust like the pagans, who do not know God; 6and that in this matter no one should wrong or take advantage of a brother or sister. The Lord will punish all those who commit such sins, as we told you and warned you before.*

***Matthew 5:27-30***

*27“You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall not commit adultery.’28But I tell you that anyone who looks at a woman lustfully has already committed adultery with her in his heart. 29If your right eye causes you to stumble, gouge it out and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. 30And if your right hand causes you to stumble, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to go into hell.*

***Matthew 19:4-6***

*4“Haven’t you read,” he replied, “that at the beginning the Creator ‘made them male and female,’ 5and said, ‘For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh’? 6So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.”*

 *7For God did not call us to be impure, but to live a holy life. 8Therefore, anyone who rejects this instruction does not reject a human being but God, the very God who gives you his Holy Spirit.*

**Let God set your moral boundaries.**

**Keep the fire in the fireplace.**

**Welcome grace and renewal today.**

Carlton Fisk 1975 World Series Home Run VIDEO

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(video clip only need from the 20 second to 30 second mark)

<https://jesustrek.files.wordpress.com/2019/08/carlton-fisk.jpg>

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[www.puredesire.org](http://www.puredesire.org)

[www.bravehearts.org](http://www.bravehearts.org)

<https://www.josh.org/resources/sex-relationships/>

<https://setfreesummit.org/resources-and-tools/>

[www.authenticintimacy.com](http://www.authenticintimacy.com) (Dr. Juli Slattery)

<https://garythomas.com> (cherish marriage)

[www.covenanteeyes.com](http://www.covenanteeyes.com)

[www.accountable2you.com](http://www.accountable2you.com)

[www.fightthenewdrug.org](http://www.fightthenewdrug.org) (secular but good)