

Facing Life's 10 Greatest Challenges!

#7: Maintaining Relational Purity (cont.)

Exodus 20:14 & Various Scriptures

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Bottom Line: God commands us to maintain our love, purity, and faithfulness in this foundationally important commitment of marriage.

1. First Law of Purity: Law of **PRIORITY**. (Proper Place)

Exodus 20:14; Genesis 2:24

2. Second Law of Purity: Law of **PURSUIT**. (Passion) Gen. 2:24

A. Pursue your spouse by pursuing **GOD** together. Ps. 127:1

B. Pursue your spouse by humbly addressing your **SHORTCOMINGS**. Romans 2:1,22

C. Pursue your spouse by finding ways to **SERVE** him/her. Philippians 2:3-4

D. Pursue your spouse by spending time **COMMUNICATING** with each other. Ephesians 5:29

E. Pursue your spouse by planning **ROMANTIC** times together. Ephesians 5:28-29

PART 2:

3. Third Law of Purity: Law of _____ (Problem-solving) Genesis 2:24

A. Face _____ without personal pride or retaliation. James 4:6

B. Focus on _____ by communicating in Christ-like ways. Ephesians 4:15

1) Don't allow anger or pride to cause or _____ problems. Galatians 5:22-23

2) Don't say things that publicly _____ or embarrass! Ephesians 4:29

3) Don't use _____ language to deal with a relational problem. James 3:16-18

4) Don't begin the process of restoration and resolution _____ . Ephesians 4:26

5) Don't speak to each other in an _____ or rude manner. 1 Corinthians 13:5

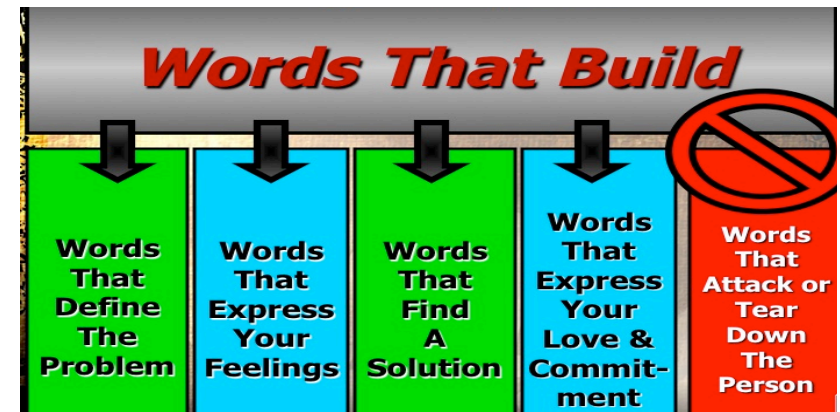
6) Don't quickly and harshly _____ the actions of others. Matthew 7:3-5

7) Don't neglect to lay a foundation of _____ and encouragement. James 3:10-11

8) Don't _____ your voice when trying to get your point across. James 1:19

9) Don't attack the _____, but stay focused on the problem. Galatians 5:15; Ephesians 4:31

10) Don't neglect daily, _____ heart-to-heart communication. Ephesians 4:29; Luke 6:45



C. Find _____ without threats of divorce. Ephesians 4:29

4. Fourth Law of Purity: Law of _____
(Faithfulness)