

A close-up photograph of two hands, one on the left and one on the right, holding a snake. The snake is coiled around the fingers and is looking towards the camera. The background is dark and out of focus.

Who Is In Control of Your Spirit

Lasciviousness

Introduction

- Sometimes we might lead young adults to think they live by different rules *Jn.16:13-15*
- Many Bible examples and passages show this to be untrue *Ecc.12:1* and *I Tim.4:12*
- God wants young men and women to enjoy life but see judgment *Ecc.11:9*
- How does one develop faith? *Rom.10:17*

Introduction

- What does it mean to stand by your faith?
- The Bible contains God's Words / *Cor.2:13*
- Must take all the Truth *Matt.28:20*
- Bible teaches by principles *Heb.5:12-14*
- The Gospel calls and alienates *Jn.6:44-45*
- Some twist the Gospel's Truth *2 Pet.3:16*



I. Modest Dress

A. Our Dress Can Cause Others To Sin

- Can you draw the perfect line between modest and immodest? / *Tim.2:9-10*

• A gray area of judgment might exist but a black and white line exist also *Ruth 3:6-11*

- Attractiveness is fine but seductive dress will cause men to lust *Prov.7:10*

• Innocent flirting can be done by an worldly woman can destroy a soul *Prov.6:24-27*

A. Our Dress Can Cause Others To Sin

B. We All Must Watch Our Minds

- A foolish man was seduced because he didn't guard his mind *Prov.7:21-23*

21 With her enticing speech **she caused him to yield**, With her flattering lips she seduced him.

22 Immediately he went after her, **as an ox goes to the slaughter**, Or as a fool to the correction of the stocks,

23 **Till an arrow struck his liver**. As a bird hastens to the snare, He did not know it would cost his life.

Prov.7

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B. We All Must Watch Our Minds

- While avoiding the *Big Line* we cross *Little Lines* which causes fornication *2 Sam.11:4*
- Sometimes men and women go too far for the wrong reasons *2 Sam.13:11-17*
- Frequently poor decisions and actions can't be undone *Heb.12:16-17*
- The solution is to flee “youthful lusts” and pursue righteous things *2 Tim.2:22*

A close-up photograph of a person's face, looking down with their hand near their eye. The image is overlaid with the text "II. Lewd Dancing".

II. Lewd Dancing

A. There Is Proper Dance

- Miriam and other Israelite women danced for joy after God's deliverance *Ex.15:19-21*
- God's word mentions dances in honor and praise to God Almighty *Psa.149:3*
- Obviously married individuals may dance to stir sexual desires *Matt.19:5-6*
- Are there certain kinds of dances today that are acceptable to The Lord?

A. There Is Proper Dance

B. Many Dances Provoke Lustful Thoughts

- Wanton acts, filthy words, indecent bodily movements, unchaste handling *Eph.4:18-20*
- What did Jesus say about one lusting for another? *Matt.5:28*
- Indecent bodily movements are an integral part of the sin of dancing *Mic.2:1-2*
- Anything that stirs lust is sinful!

An open book with aged, yellowed pages is shown from a top-down perspective. The book is centered in the lower half of the frame. The background is dark and out of focus, with some faint light patterns. Overlaid on the book is the text "III. Who Is In Control of Your Eternal Soul?" in a white, bold, sans-serif font.

**III. Who Is In Control of
Your Eternal Soul?**

A. Satan Uses The Flesh To Rule The Spirit

- In the beginning God made the man and woman in His own image *Gen.1:27*
- Man was told to let their mind, will, and conscience rule the flesh *Gen.2:16-17*
- Satan tricks Adam and Eve into letting their flesh rule their spirit *Gen.3:1-8*
- When man's flesh controls him Satan will conquer man's spirit *Eph.5:6-8*

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B. The Devil Attacks The Same Way Today

- Satan takes legitimate desires and stirs them up to sinful desires *Gal.5:16-17*
- How do we know our flesh is controlling?
 - Habitually choose fleshly things / *Cor.6:12*
 - Conscience always bothers you *Acts 9:1-9*

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