

Introduction: There are some who view a sexual relationship as a necessary evil, or something that must be endured, but the Bible teaches differently. Let's see the blessings and the curses of righteous and unrighteous relationships. God made the love connection and it is beautiful in His eyes.

BE MINDFUL OF IMMORAL SEDUCERS vs. 1-6

1. Listen to wisdom so that you may: v. 1
 - a. Preserve discretion v. 2
 - b. May keep knowledge on your lips v. 2
2. Immoral men's and women's speech drip with honey, smooth talkers v. 3
3. The results of giving in to that speech vs. 4-6
 - a. The end is bitter as wormwood. (see Easton Bible Dictionary – wormwood)
 - b. In the end it will cut you like a sharp two-edged sword (a warrior's sword)
 - c. He/ she will hold your feet as he/she goes to hell v. 5
 - d. His/her ways are unstable – you don't know them, so you are lost v. 6

BE REPULSED BY SIN vs. 7-14

1. Do not depart from my sayings v. 7
2. Remove yourself far from those acting out their sinfulness v. 8
 - a. Lest you give your honor [vigor] to others v. 9
 - b. Lest you throw away your years of strength vs. 9-10
 1. Aliens will take your wealth v. 10
 2. Foreigners take your strength v. 10
 3. You mourn when your flesh and body is consumed v. 11
 4. You mourn saying "How I hated instruction and my heart despised correction!" v. 12
 - c. Lest you come to total ruin, in the midst of the assembly and congregation. V. 14

BE IN LOVE WITH EACH OTHER FOREVER vs. 15-20

1. Keep the act of marriage yours alone with your husband/wife. Vs. 15-17
2. Rejoice in the blessing, laugh and love v. 18
3. Be satisfied, enraptured [intoxicated] with his/her love. Great wine takes time. Cheap wine is immediate V. 19
4. Why? V.20

BE NOT IMMORAL, IT WILL KILL YOU vs. 21-23

1. God sees all, to bless or to remove his hand of blessing v.21
2. Satan will entrap and bind us in cords of our own making [sin] v. 22
3. He/she will die for lack of instruction v. 23

LAST WORDS: Work on being a great lover for the Kingdom sake.