Following God's Design - Proverbs 5:3-11; 15-18

God expects His people to show His Wisdom through sexual purity

See The Reality

Proverbs 5:3-6

Solomon declared that whatever appeal is presented, adultery eventually leads to death.

3 Though the lips of the forbidden woman drip honey and her words are smoother than oil, 4 in the end she's as bitter as wormwood and as sharp as a double-edged sword. 5 Her feet go down to death; her steps head straight for Sheol. 6 She doesn't consider the path of life; she doesn't know that her ways are unstable.

Think Long Term

Proverbs 5:7-11

Solomon challenges God's people to resist sexual temptations. He encourages them to think about long term social, economic, and physical consequences of sexual sin.

7 So now, [my] sons, listen to me, and don't turn away from the words of my mouth. **8** Keep your way far from her. Don't go near the door of her house. **9** Otherwise, you will give up your vitality to others and your years to someone cruel; **10** strangers will drain your resources, and your earnings will end up in a foreigner's house. **11** At the end of your life, you will lament when your physical body has been consumed,

Enjoy God's Provision

Proverbs 5:15-18

Solomon directed married couples to enjoy sexual intimacy within the confines of a faithful, exclusive marriage relationship. He affirmed monogamous relationships as God's design.

15 Drink water from your own cistern, water flowing from your own well. **16** Should your springs flow in the streets, streams of water in the public squares? **17** They should be for you alone and not for you [to share] with strangers. **18** Let your fountain be blessed, and take pleasure in the wife of your youth.