

Bad Girls of the Bible
“Potiphar’s Wife: Desire Running Wild”
(Part 1)
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I Cor. 10:10-12 “And don’t grumble as some of them did, and then were destroyed... These things happened to them as examples for us. They were written down to warn us who live at the end of the age. If you think you are standing strong, be careful not to fall.” (NLT)

I. Wrong Desires Can Result From A Lack Of _____

Gen. 39:6-7 So Potiphar gave Joseph complete administrative responsibility over everything he owned. With Joseph there, he didn’t worry about a thing—except what kind of food to eat! Joseph was a very handsome and well-built young man, and Potiphar’s wife soon began to look at him lustfully. “Come and sleep with me,” she demanded.

- A. Prosperity doesn’t lead to internal fulfillment
- B. Lack of fulfillment can make us vulnerable to _____

I Tim. 6:9-10 “But people who long to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many foolish and harmful desires that plunge them into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is the root of all kinds of evil. And some people, craving money, have wandered from the true faith and pierced themselves with many sorrows.” (NLT)

I Cor. 7:5 “Do not deprive each other of sexual relations, unless you both agree to refrain from sexual intimacy for a limited time so you can give yourselves more completely to prayer. Afterward, you should come together again so that Satan won’t be able to tempt you because of your lack of self-control.” (NLT)

II. Wrong Desires Left Unchecked Are _____

Gen. 39:10 “She kept putting pressure on Joseph day after day, but he refused to sleep with her...” (NLT)

- A. Entertaining our wrong desires makes them more intense

*James 1:14-15 “Temptation comes from our own desires, which entice us and drag us away. These desires give birth to sinful actions. And when sin is **allowed to grow**, it gives birth to death.” (NLT)*

- B. Entertaining our wrong desires will make us feel like _____

Rom. 6:16 “Don’t you realize that you become the slave of whatever you choose to obey? You can be a slave to sin, which leads to death, or you can choose to obey God, which leads to righteous living.” (NLT)

III. Wrong Desires Left To Progress _____

Gen. 39:16-18 "She kept the cloak with her until her husband came home. Then she told him her story. "That Hebrew slave you've brought into our house tried to come in and fool around with me," she said, "But when I screamed, he ran outside, leaving his cloak with me!" (NLT)

A. Wrong desires never care about the other person

B. Wrong desires result in _____

Application Steps

- Realize that wrong desires are _____ and part of living in a fallen world
- Believe that God truly cares _____ (*Ps. 37:4 "Take delight in the LORD, and he will give you your heart's desires." (NLT)*)
- Learn to find your fulfillment _____
John 10:10 "The thief's purpose is to steal and kill and destroy. My purpose is to give them a rich and satisfying life." (NLT)
- _____ Stop living in a way that is to wrong desires.

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