## **RAMPANT IMPURITY**

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"Wherefore God also gave them up to uncleanness through the lusts of their own hearts, to dishonor their own bodies between themselves: Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator" Rom 1:24-25.

History reveals the downfall of every nation has been preceded by an immoral slide into impurity. Clearly, the facts speak themselves. Those nations which have turned their eyes to the creature and ignored their Creator have fallen into evil disrepute. It seems man never learns and so here we go sliding into the same pit which will mire millions in unsatisfying filth. Let me mention FACT....THE CAUSE....THE THE **CURSE.....and THE CURE.** 

THE FACT OF IMPURITY is highly visible today. Nakedness is very popular and modesty has been crucified by those who emphasize the flesh. Style glamorizes the body, titilates the flesh and strips morality and decency. I John 2:16 warns about the "lust of the eye". Our nation is polluted with pornography, topless bars, girlie shows, and a saturation of filth that makes Sodom look like a kindergarten. Even our education system has substituted moral rights and wrongs for sex advice which is actually immoral. Those of us who stand for purity and decency are being ridiculed as they pollute this generation with their immoral schemes. Visual enticement leads to physical betrayal. Thanks to the liberal programs of reeducation, millions have fallen into lust. Men and women cohabit without marriage while the homosexual and lesbian crowd call themselves normal as they boldly thumb their nose at God. Blindly they plunge ahead, enjoying

whatever feels good, forgetting the God that will bring them into judgment. Gal. 5:19 pictures this age with its "adultery, fornication, uncleanness, and lasciviousness". All this leads to broken marriage vows, shattered families, teen immorality, illegitimate births and a myriad of sex diseases including aids. It is tragic to see our nation returning to the age of man's beginning. "God saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually" Gen. 6:5 The cycle has once again returned righteousness is frowned upon while lust is renamed and glorified. I have put much into the **CAUSE OF** thought IMMORALITY. I certainly would put COMPROMISED PREACHING at the top of the list. Something terrible has been happening to the preachers of this land. Most have departed from warning of the results of sin. "Cry aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet, and shew my people their transgressions" Isa. 58:1. Most of our pulpits have lost their strong cry against impurity. Preachers are afraid to expose sin and to cry out against it. We are now plagued with divorced ministers, many examples of family failures, with toleration of sin and the absence of backbones. We must return to the demanding standards of the Bible for all who lead and serve in the church of Jesus Christ. . The only safe moral absolute is the Word of God. It must be preached powerfully and believers must adhere to God's moral principles. He who made us knows best how to warn and keep us on the path of righteousness. The church that refuses to stand for something will accomplish nothing. The preacher who is afraid to offend in Jesus name is an offense to Jesus' name. Morality in this nation is further hurt by SPINELESS POLITICS. Our nation is suffering from "blind leaders of the blind" Matt. 15:14. Character and decency have fallen from view and we are told it does not matter

how our leaders live. It has been forgotten that" righteousness exalteth a nation but sin is a reproach to any people" Prov. 14:34. Moral example and character is missing from the top down as our nation continues the trend away from decency and Godliness. Our biggest drug problem is alcohol and yet nothing is done to stop the carnage on the highway and the drunken destruction of our nation's homes. Dr. Bob Jones used to say "It is never right to do wrong to do right". The government has allowed the murder of more babies than Hitler ever thought of killing Jews. Those who seek to stop the killing are thrown into jail while the perverts of our land are coddled and encouraged to oppose all decency. Every manner of evil is being allowed under the false premise of first amendment rights. What about the rights of the babies, developing in the most dangerous place of their lives, in their mothers womb? Or the rights of Godly people who desire to protect our children from the perverts who in the name of "Gay Rights" seek to introduce our nation to their brand of sodomy which God calls abomination. Sex disease is running rampant and all our leaders can do is encourage promiscuity. We desperately need conservative, decent leaders and must vote to reverse the trend of the political filth mongers in power. All of the above results in **CONFUSED PUBLIC OPINION.** It seems the liberal slaves of lust and excess have renamed everything. The drunkard is called an alcoholic who has a disease. The harlot is called a party girl or a working person The abuser is over sexed while sexual preference is taught as a matter of choice. Old fashioned abstinence is ridiculed while excess and the immoral is called normal. They call black white and white black while they muddy the waters of moral experience with the confusing signals of those who are haters of God. Isaiah marveled "they call evil good and good evil" Isa. 5:20. Without question our sinful age is pictured as Jude clearly pictures our national

dilemma. "Even as Sodom and Gomorrha, and the cities about them in like manner giving themselves over to fornication, going after strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire. Likewise also these filthy dreamers defile the flesh, despise dominion, and speak evil of dignities" Jude 7&8. . It is certain that we will not escape the judgment of God which is already falling upon our nation. I cannot help but mention again the WEAK PARENTS of this generation. . Most homes have little moral leadership and even worse example. Millions of parents have abandoned the church, the Bible and their fear of a Holy God. Public school education majors in the destruction of decency and the propagation of the immoral. Parents seem so absorbed in the quest for money and possessions that they take little time to teach chastity and abstinance. Their kids grow up like weeds in the garden of parental failure.. Remember your children are your greatest achievement. God commands "train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old, he will not depart from it" Prov. 22:6. God help you to get back to proper parenting with daily instruction from the Word for your family. The flood of immorality has brought a MULTIPLE **CURSE UPON** OUR NATION. It first results in a **NATIONAL** CURSE. Remember,

"Righteousness exalteth a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people" Prov. 14: 34. A country that shuts out a Holy God and bathes itself in gross sin will be dealt with by the God of mankind. There is also a **RELIGIOUS CURSE.** Churches themselves have fallen into the same sins of the unsaved. The church had great influence when it obeyed the command of God. "Ye are the salt of the earth; but if the salt have lost its savour, wherewith shall it be salted? it is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under the foot of men" Matt. 5:13. We believers are further admonished, "Let your light so shine before

men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your father which is in heaven" Matt. 5:16. Worldly believers are largely to blame for the downfall of our dear nation. Only a great revival awakening among Christians along with the return to Biblical morality can save this nation from great judgment. There is also a MORAL CURSE upon sinning humans. Paul spoke of God and His dealing with sinful men of the past. "Wherefore God also gave them up to uncleanness through the lusts of their own hearts, to dishonor their own bodies between themselves" Rom. 1:24. The curse of sin causes great mental hardness, the destruction of character and results in a poisoned mind that knows not God. All of this leads to a PHYSICAL CURSE for "he that soweth to the flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption" Gal. 6:8. Our bodies, health and well being all depend on what we allow. "Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap." Gal. 6:7. Remember fleshly impurity always breeds physical disease. At least 80 % of those infected with aids are teens who by acts of perversion introduced the disease to their body. Thirty two other sexual diseases are taking a terrible toll. "The wages of sin is death" Rom. 6:23. It is further evident that sin continued brings on an eternal curse. "The soul that sinneth, it shall die" Ezekiel 18:4. Persistence in sin always leads to eternal ruin. Take a moment more and consider THE CURE. **HONEST** Start with an **INSPECTION OF YOUR LIFE** with all its habits. Face it squarely and remember "Be sure your sin will find you out" Num. 32:23. It matters not how others are living or even what they will think. Remember, "If we judge ourselves we should not be judged" I Cor. 11:31. There is great value now and all eternity to be thankful you got your life right with God. Now take the next step and DESIRE GENUINE REPENTANCE. Jesus himself warned, "except ye repent ye shall all likewise

perish" Luke 13:3. You must regret your sin, feel genuine sorrow over the evil you have done and desire to square things with God and Then you will be ready **CONFESSION**. In prayer to God lay all the evil out before Him and acknowledge your guilt before Him. . Place the blame on yourself and not your upbringing or the transgression of others. Real peace will come when you honestly put yourself on the altar, admitting your guilt and participation in evil. "If we confess our sin, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sin and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness" I John 1:9. Do it. Let your sin be buried under the blood of Christ, in the depths of the sea, behind the back of God. Lastly, **BE ON YOUR GUARD** and stay close to the Lord. Vigilance is the key and daily feasting in the Word and relying on the power of prayer. You see "He was in all points tempted like as we are and yet without sin. Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need" Heb. 4:15&16. Immorality can be replaced with spirituality. Avoid places and persons of past failure and purpose in your heart not to repeat the offense before God. "Make confession unto the Lord God and do His pleasure" Ezra 10:11. "HE IS ABLE TO DELIVER THEE" is not just the words of a song but a great reality. This will necessitate our putting on "the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil" Eph 6:11. There must be no compromise with evil. Carefully follow the command of the Lord, "Keep thyself pure" I Tim 5:22 You will never be sorry!