

The Vice - LUST

- Lust is like the Wisteria vine that STRANGLES the life it grows on.
- Pride is the most PRIMAL sin, lust is the most POPULAR sin.

What is Lust?

Lust is an inordinate craving for the PLEASURES of the body. It is inappropriate sexual ATTRACTION.

- Lust LIGHTS up the brain in the same areas an addict's brain does on drugs.

A Deadly Progression

1. IMAGINATION
2. FANTASY
3. ACTING OUT

The Means of Grace, the Bridge, from Lust to Purity

The means of grace from lust to purity is LOVE.

Love is

"Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres." I Corinthians 13:4-7

Biblical love is concerned with the WELFARE of OTHERS.

John 3:16, I John 4:9-10, I John 3:16

- If you PRACTICE love as described in the Bible this will move you towards the virtue of PURITY.

Practicing Love

1. Make it a practice to remind yourself that you are in a LOVE RELATIONSHIP with your heavenly Father.
2. Love SEES & CARES for others. I Corinthians 13
3. Love practices the discipline of RESTRAINT.

The Virtue - PURITY

Pure - clean, unsoiled from the pollution & guilt of sin, free from an impure MIXTURE.

MAY COMMUNITY PARTNER FOCUS: OPTION 1

Option 1 is hosting a "Baby Shower" for expecting parents in our community. Option 1 works to share the love of Jesus with families experiencing unplanned pregnancies. To assist with needed baby items, our goal in May is to stock Option 1's "Baby Boutique" with diapers & newclothing! Purchased items can be dropped off at the "Give Grace" kiosk or shipped directly to Option 1. Visit gpw.church/option1 to view the list of baby registry items!

VBS: To Mars & Beyond!

June 3-7 | 6-8:30 p.m.

To Mars & Beyond will help kids discover the wonders of God's universe. They'll become Voyagers on a journey through space, exploring where God's power can take them.

To register your child(ren) or to volunteer go to our Events Page at:

gracepointwesleyan.org/upcoming-events.html

SUMMER CAMP DATES

Kids Camp: July 8-11 (\$175 early bird registration ends TODAY) Regular price registration ends Sunday, June 16.

Mid-High Camp: July 15-19*

Senior High Camp: July 22-27*

*Early bird price until Friday, May 31; prices are listed on registration form.

**Register for camps at the Events Page at gracepointwesleyan.org. Scholarship applications for all camps are available at the Info Center or church office.