

Sexual Immorality

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Introduction

As is customary with all bible studies, I begin with an examination of all relevant words on the subject to be studied. In preparation of this study, the exegesis and Scriptures listed speak for themselves. I see no need to get involved in a study with my words where God's words say it best. Just reading through the word definitions and the corresponding Scriptures is really all that is indicated to glean the intent of God and what it means to live a godly life free from sexual immorality.

A study in the area of adultery will reveal some cutting truths. Adultery is of the heart under the amplified teachings of Jesus. It includes sexual fantasies about being with a particular person and harboring wanton desires of intimacy with anyone other than your spouse. A Christian is to free themselves from the bondage of sin beginning with their heart and mind.

It will surprise many to find that a remarriage after divorce is adultery. Any divorced person who remarries while their divorced spouse lives, commits adultery. Anyone marrying a divorced person also commits adultery. There are many who will try to alter, twist, deny and dance around the clear teaching of God, but to do so is to stand in denial of Jesus. Not a good place to be if you're a Christian. For a more comprehensive teaching on this, go to the study on Remarriage in the Topical Study site of the Lord's Children Fellowship website.

NEW TESTAMENT EXEGESIS

Fornication - Prostitution - Pornography

4202 *porneia porneia* por-ni'-ah

from 4203; TDNT-6:579,918; n f *fornication*:—

NAS-fornication (4), fornications (2), immoralities (1), immorality (16), sexual immorality (1), unchastity (1).

AV-fornication 26; 26

1) illicit sexual intercourse

1a) adultery, fornication, homosexuality, lesbianism, intercourse with animals etc.

1b) sexual intercourse with close relatives; Lev. 18

1c) sexual intercourse with a divorced man or woman; **Mk 10:11,12**

2) metaph. the worship of idols

2a) of the defilement of idolatry, as incurred by eating the sacrifices offered to idols

Matthew 5:32

but I say to you that everyone who divorces his wife, except for *the* reason of **unchastity <4202 *porneia*>**, makes her commit adultery; and whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery.

Matthew 15:19

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"For out of the heart come evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, **fornications <4202 porneia>**, thefts, false witness, slanders.

Matthew 19:9

"And I say to you, whoever divorces his wife, except for **immorality <4202 porneia>**, and marries another woman commits adultery."

Mark 7:21

"For from within, out of the heart of men, proceed the evil thoughts, **fornications <4202 porneia>**, thefts, murders, adulteries,

John 8:41

"You are doing the deeds of your father." They said to Him, "We were not born of **fornication <4202 porneia>**; we have one Father: God."

Acts 15:20, 29

20 but that we write to them that they abstain from things contaminated by idols and from fornication **<4202 porneia>** and from what is strangled and from blood.

29 that you abstain from things sacrificed to idols and from blood and from things strangled and from fornication **<4202 porneia>**; if you keep yourselves free from such things, you will do well. Farewell."

Acts 21:25

"But concerning the Gentiles who have believed, we wrote, having decided that they should abstain from meat sacrificed to idols and from blood and from what is strangled and from **fornication <4202 porneia>**."

1 Corinthians 5:1

It is actually reported that there is **immorality <4202 porneia>** among you, and **immorality <4202 porneia>** of such a kind as does not exist even among the Gentiles, that **someone has his father's wife**.

1 Corinthians 6:13, 18

13 Food is for the stomach and the stomach is for food, but God will do away with both of them. Yet the body is not for **immorality <4202 porneia>**, but for the Lord, and the Lord is for the body.

18 Flee **immorality <4202 porneia>**. Every *other* sin that a man commits is outside the body, but the immoral man sins against his own body.

1 Corinthians 7:2

But because of **immoralities <4202 porneia>**, each man is to have his own wife, and each woman is to have her own husband.

2 Corinthians 12:21

I am afraid that when I come again my God may humiliate me before you, and I may mourn over many of those who have sinned in the past and not repented of the impurity,

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immorality <4202 porneia> and sensuality which they have practiced.

Galatians 5:19

Now the deeds of the flesh are evident, which are: **immorality <4202 porneia>**, impurity, sensuality,

Ephesians 5:3

But **immorality <4202 porneia>** or any impurity or greed must not even be named among you, as is proper among saints;

Colossians 3:5

Therefore consider the members of your earthly body as dead to **immorality <4202 porneia>**, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed, which amounts to idolatry.

1 Thessalonians 4:3

For this is the will of God, your sanctification; *that is*, that you abstain from **sexual immorality <4202 porneia>**;

Revelation 2:21

'I gave her time to repent, and she does not want to repent of her **immorality <4202 porneia>**.

Revelation 9:21

and they did not repent of their murders nor of their sorceries nor of their **immorality <4202 porneia>** nor of their thefts.

Revelation 14:8

And another angel, a second one, followed, saying, "Fallen, fallen is Babylon the great, she who has made all the nations drink of the wine of the passion of her immorality **<4202 porneia>**."

Revelation 17:2, 4

2 with whom the kings of the earth committed *acts of* immorality, and those who dwell on the earth were made drunk with the wine of her **immorality <4202 porneia>**."

4 The woman was clothed in purple and scarlet, and adorned with gold and precious stones and pearls, having in her hand a gold cup full of abominations and of the unclean things of her **immorality <4202 porneia>**,

Revelation 18:3

"For all the nations have drunk of the wine of the passion of her **immorality <4202 porneia>**, and the kings of the earth have committed *acts of* immorality with her, and the merchants of the earth have become rich by the wealth of her sensuality."

Revelation 19:2

BECAUSE HIS JUDGMENTS ARE TRUE AND RIGHTEOUS; for He has judged the

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great harlot who was corrupting the earth with her **immorality <4202 porneia>**, and HE HAS AVENGED THE BLOOD OF HIS BOND-SERVANTS ON HER."

4203 proneuw porneuo porn-yoo'-o

from 4204; TDNT-6:579,918; v to commit fornication:--

NAS-act immorally (1), commit...immorality (2), committed...immorality (3), did (1), immoral (1).

AV-commit fornication 7, commit 1; 8

1) to prostitute one's body to the lust of another

2) to give one's self to unlawful sexual intercourse

2a) to commit fornication

3) metaph. to be given to idolatry, to worship idols

3a) to permit one's self to be drawn away by another into idolatry

1 Corinthians 6:18

Flee immorality. Every *other* sin that a man commits is outside the body, but the **immoral <4203 porneuo>** man sins against his own body.

1 Corinthians 10:8

Nor let us **act immorally <4203 porneuo>**, as some of them **did <4203 porneuo>**, and twenty-three thousand fell in one day.

Revelation 2:14, 20

14 'But I have a few things against you, because you have there some who hold the teaching of Balaam, who kept teaching Balak to put a stumbling block before the sons of Israel, to eat things sacrificed to idols and to **commit acts of immorality <4203 porneuo>**.

20 'But I have *this* against you, that you tolerate the woman Jezebel, who calls herself a prophetess, and she teaches and leads My bond-servants astray so that they **commit acts of immorality <4203 porneuo>** and eat things sacrificed to idols.

Revelation 17:2

with whom the kings of the earth **committed acts of immorality <4203 porneuo>**, and those who dwell on the earth were made drunk with the wine of her immorality."

Revelation 18:3, 9

3 "For all the nations have drunk of the wine of the passion of her immorality, and the kings of the earth have committed **<4203 porneuo>** acts of immorality **<4203 porneuo>** with her, and the merchants of the earth have become rich by the wealth of her sensuality."

9 "And the kings of the earth, who **committed acts of immorality <4203 porneuo>** and lived sensuously with her, will weep and lament over her when they see the smoke of her burning,

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4204 *prnh porne* por'-nay

from 4205; prob. from *pernhmi pernemi* TDNT-6:579,918; n f (*to export for sale*); a prostitute:—

NAS-harlot (6), harlots (1), prostitute (2), prostitutes (3).

AV-harlot 8, whore 4; 12

1) a woman who sells her body for sexual uses

1a) a prostitute, a harlot, one who yields herself to defilement for the sake of gain

1b) any woman indulging in unlawful sexual intercourse, whether for gain or for lust

2) metaph. an idolatress

2a) of "Babylon" i.e. Rome, the chief seat of idolatry

Matthew 21:31

"Which of the two did the will of his father?" They *said, "The first." Jesus *said to them, "Truly I say to you that the tax collectors and **prostitutes <4204 porne>** will get into the kingdom of God before you.

Matthew 21:32

"For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him; but the tax collectors and **prostitutes <4204 porne>** did believe him; and you, seeing *this*, did not even feel remorse afterward so as to believe him.

Luke 15:30

but when this son of yours came, who has devoured your wealth with **prostitutes <4204 porne>**, you killed the fattened calf for him.'

1 Corinthians 6:15-16

15 Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I then take away the members of Christ and make them members of a **prostitute <4204 porne>**? May it never be!

16 Or do you not know that the one who joins himself to a **prostitute <4204 porne>** is one body *with her*? For He says, "THE TWO SHALL BECOME ONE FLESH."

Hebrews 11:31

By faith Rahab the **harlot <4204 porne>** did not perish along with those who were disobedient, after she had welcomed the spies in peace.

James 2:25

In the same way, was not Rahab the **harlot <4204 porne>** also justified by works when she received the messengers and sent them out by another way?

Revelation 17:1

Then one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls came and spoke with me, saying, "Come here, I will show you the judgment of the great **harlot <4204 porne>** who

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sits on many waters,

Revelation 17:5

and on her forehead a name was written, a mystery, "BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF **HARLOTS <4204 porne>** AND OF THE ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH."

Revelation 17:15-16

15 And he *said to me, "The waters which you saw where the **harlot <4204 porne>** sits, are peoples and multitudes and nations and tongues.

16 "And the ten horns which you saw, and the beast, these will hate the **harlot <4204 porne>** and will make her desolate and naked, and will eat her flesh and will burn her up with fire.

Revelation 19:2

BECAUSE HIS JUDGMENTS ARE TRUE AND RIGHTEOUS; for He has judged the great **harlot <4204 porne>** who was corrupting the earth with her immorality, and HE HAS AVENGED THE BLOOD OF HIS BOND-SERVANTS ON HER."

4205 pornov pornos por'-nos

from *pernemi* (to sell, akin to the base of 4097, 4204); TDNT-6:579,918; n m ; a *fornicator*:—

NAS-fornicators (2), immoral (2), immoral men (1), immoral people (2), immoral person (1), immoral persons (2).

AV-fornicator 5, whoremonger 5; 10

1) a man who prostitutes his body to another's lust for hire

2) a male prostitute

3) a man who indulges in unlawful sexual intercourse, a fornicator

1 Corinthians 5:9-11

9 I wrote you in my letter not to associate with **immoral people <4205 pornos>**;

10 I *did* not at all *mean* with the **immoral people <4205 pornos>** of this world, or with the covetous and swindlers, or with idolaters, for then you would have to go out of the world.

11 But actually, I wrote to you not to associate with any so-called brother if he is an **immoral person <4205 pornos>**, or covetous, or an idolater, or a reviler, or a drunkard, or a swindler—not even to eat with such a one.

1 Corinthians 6:9

Or do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived; neither **fornicators <4205 pornos>**, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor homosexuals,

Ephesians 5:5

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For this you know with certainty, that no **immoral <4205 pornos>** or impure person or covetous man, who is an idolater, has an inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and God.

1 Timothy 1:10

and **immoral men <4205 pornos>** and homosexuals and kidnappers and liars and perjurers, and whatever else is contrary to sound teaching,

Hebrews 12:16

that *there be* no **immoral <4205 pornos>** or godless person like Esau, who sold his own birthright for a *single* meal.

Hebrews 13:4

Marriage *is to be held* in honor among all, and the *marriage* bed *is to be* undefiled; for **fornicators <4205 pornos>** and adulterers God will judge.

Revelation 14:4

These are the ones who **have not been defiled with women**, for they have kept themselves chaste. These [are] the ones who follow the Lamb wherever He goes. These have been purchased from among men as first fruits to God and to the Lamb.

Revelation 21:8

"But for the cowardly and unbelieving and abominable and murderers and **immoral persons <4205 pornos>** and sorcerers and idolaters and all liars, their part *will be* in the lake that burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death."

Revelation 22:15

Outside are the dogs and the sorcerers and the **immoral persons <4205 pornos>** and the murderers and the idolaters, and everyone who loves and practices lying.

1608 ekporneuw ekporneuo ek-porn-yoo'-o

from 1537 and 4203; TDNT-6:579,918; v mid. *to give oneself up to fornication:—*

NAS-gross immorality (1), indulged in gross immorality (1).

AV-give (one's) self over to fornication 1; 1

1) to go a whoring, "give one's self over to fornication"

Jude 1:7

just as Sodom and Gomorrah and the cities around them, since they in the same way as these **indulged in gross immorality <1608 ekporneuo>** and went after strange flesh, are exhibited as an example in undergoing the punishment of eternal fire.

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Adultery

3428 moicaliv moichalis moy-khal-is'

a prolonged form of the feminine of **3432**; TDNT-4:729,605; n f *an adulteress*:—

NAS-adulteress (2), adulteresses (1), adulterous (3), adultery (1).

AV-adulterous 3, adulteress 3, adultery 1; 7

1) an adulteress

2) as the intimate alliance of God with the people of Israel was likened to a marriage, those who relapse into idolatry are said to commit adultery or play the harlot 2a) fig. equiv. to faithless to God, unclean, apostate

Matthew 12:39

But He answered and said to them, "An evil and **adulterous <3428 moichalis>** generation craves for a sign; and yet no sign will be given to it but the sign of Jonah the prophet;

Matthew 16:4

"An evil and **adulterous <3428 moichalis>** generation seeks after a sign; and a sign will not be given it, except the sign of Jonah." And He left them and went away.

Mark 8:38

"For whoever is ashamed of Me and My words in this **adulterous <3428 moichalis>** and sinful generation, the Son of Man will also be ashamed of him when He comes in the glory of His Father with the holy angels."

Romans 7:3

So then, if while her husband is living she is joined to another man, she shall be called an **adulteress <3428 moichalis>**; but if her husband dies, she is free from the law, so that she is not an **adulteress <3428 moichalis>** though she is joined to another man.

James 4:4

You **adulteresses <3428 moichalis>**, do you not know that friendship with the world is hostility toward God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God.

2 Peter 2:14

having eyes full of **adultery <3428 moichalis>** that never cease from sin, enticing unstable souls, having a heart trained in greed, accursed children;

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3429 moicaw moichao moy-khah'-o

from 3432; TDNT-4:729,605; v *to commit adultery with*:—

NAS-adultery (1), commits adultery (3).

AV-commit adultery 6; 6

1) to have unlawful intercourse with another's wife, to commit adultery with

Matthew 5:32

but I say to you that everyone who divorces his wife, except for *the* reason of unchastity, makes her commit adultery; and whoever marries a divorced woman **commits adultery <3429 moichao>**.

Matthew 19:9

"And I say to you, whoever divorces his wife, except for immorality, and marries another woman **commits adultery <3429 moichao>**."

Mark 10:11-12

11 And He *said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another woman **commits adultery <3429 moichao>** against her;

12 and if she herself divorces her husband and marries another man, she is **committing adultery <3429 moichao>**."

3430 moicea moicheia moy-khi'-ah

from 3431; TDNT-4:729,605; n f ; *adultery*:—

NAS-adulteries (2), adultery (1).

AV-adultery 4; 4

1) adultery

Matthew 15:19

"For out of the heart come evil thoughts, murders, **adulteries <3430 moicheia>**, fornications, thefts, false witness, slanders.

Mark 7:21

"For from within, out of the heart of men, proceed the evil thoughts, fornications, thefts, murders, **adulteries <3430 moicheia>**,

John 8:3

The scribes and the Pharisees *brought a woman caught in **adultery <3430 moicheia>**, and having set her in the center *of the court*,

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3431 moiceuw moicheuo moy-khyoo'-o

from 3432; TDNT-4:729,605; v *to commit adultery*:—

NAS-adultery (1), commit adultery (11), commits adultery (2), committed adultery (1), committing (1).

AV-commit adultery 13, in adultery 1; 14

1) to commit adultery

1a) to be an adulterer

1b) to commit adultery with, have unlawful intercourse with another's wife

1c) of the wife: to suffer adultery, be debauched

1d) A Hebrew idiom, the word is used of those who at a woman's solicitation are drawn away to idolatry, i.e. to the eating of things sacrificed to idols

Matthew 5:27-28, 32

27 "You have heard that it was said, 'YOU SHALL NOT **COMMIT ADULTERY** <3431 moicheuo>';

28 but I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lust for her has already **committed adultery** <3431 moicheuo> with her in his heart.

32 but I say to you that everyone who divorces his wife, except for *the* reason of unchastity, makes her **commit adultery** <3431 moicheuo>; and whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery.

Matthew 19:18

Then he *said to Him, "Which ones?" And Jesus said, "YOU SHALL NOT COMMIT MURDER; YOU SHALL NOT **COMMIT ADULTERY** <3431 moicheuo>; YOU SHALL NOT STEAL; YOU SHALL NOT BEAR FALSE WITNESS;

Mark 10:12

and if she herself divorces her husband and marries another man, she is **committing** <3431 moicheuo> adultery."

Mark 10:19

"You know the commandments, 'DO NOT MURDER, DO NOT **COMMIT ADULTERY** <3431 moicheuo>, DO NOT STEAL, DO NOT BEAR FALSE WITNESS, Do not defraud, HONOR YOUR FATHER AND MOTHER.'"

Luke 16:18

"Everyone who divorces his wife and marries another **commits adultery** <3431 moicheuo>, and he who marries one who is divorced from a husband **commits adultery** <3431 moicheuo>.

Luke 18:20 "You know the commandments, 'DO NOT **COMMIT ADULTERY** <3431 moicheuo>, DO NOT MURDER, DO NOT STEAL, DO NOT BEAR FALSE WITNESS, HONOR YOUR FATHER AND MOTHER.'"

John 8:4

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they *said to Him, "Teacher, this woman has been caught in **adultery <3431 moicheuo>**, in the very act.

Romans 2:22

You who say that one should not **commit adultery <3431 moicheuo>**, do you **commit adultery <3431 moicheuo>**? You who abhor idols, do you rob temples?

Romans 13:9

For this, "YOU SHALL NOT **COMMIT ADULTERY <3431 moicheuo>**, YOU SHALL NOT MURDER, YOU SHALL NOT STEAL, YOU SHALL NOT COVET," and if there is any other commandment, it is summed up in this saying, "YOU SHALL LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF."

James 2:11

For He who said, "DO NOT **COMMIT ADULTERY <3431 moicheuo>**," also said, "DO NOT COMMIT MURDER." Now if you do not **commit adultery <3431 moicheuo>**, but do commit murder, you have become a transgressor of the law.

Revelation 2:22

'Behold, I will throw her on a bed *of sickness*, and those who **commit adultery <3431 moicheuo>** with her into great tribulation, unless they repent of her deeds.

3432 moicov moichos moy-khos'

perhaps a primary word; TDNT-4:729,605; n m *an adulterer*:—

NAS-adulterers (3).

AV-adulterer 4; 4

1) an adulterer

2) metaph. one who is faithless toward God, ungodly

Luke 18:11

"The Pharisee stood and was praying this to himself: 'God, I thank You that I am not like other people: swindlers, unjust, **adulterers <3432 moichos>**, or even like this tax collector.

1 Corinthians 6:9

Or do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived; neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor **adulterers <3432 moichos>**, nor effeminate, nor homosexuals,

Hebrews 13:4

Marriage *is to be held* in honor among all, and the *marriage bed is to be undefiled*; for fornicators and **adulterers <3432 moichos>** God will judge.

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Homosexuality - Effeminism

733 arsenokoithv arsenokoites ar-sen-ok-oy'-tace

from 730, 733b and 2845; ; n m a sodomite:—

733b. arshn arsen; a prim. word; male:—

NAS-male (6), men (3).

NAS-homosexuals (2).

AV-abuser of (one's) self with mankind 1, defile (one's) self with mankind 1; 2

1) one who lies with a male as with a female, sodomite, homosexual

Romans 1:26-28

26 For this reason God gave them over to degrading passions; for their **women exchanged the natural function for that which is unnatural,**

27 and in the same way also the **men abandoned the natural function of the woman and burned in their desire toward one another, men with men <733 arsenokoites>** committing indecent acts and receiving in their own persons the due penalty of their error.

28 And just as they did not see fit to acknowledge God any longer, God gave them over to a depraved mind, to do those things which are not proper,

1 Corinthians 6:9

¶ Or do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived; neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor **effeminate**, nor **homosexuals, <733 arsenokoites>**

1 Timothy 1:10

and immoral men and **homosexuals <733 arsenokoites>** and kidnappers and liars and perjurers, and whatever else is contrary to sound teaching,

3120 malakov malakos mal-ak-os'

of uncertain affinity; adj a prim. word; *soft, effeminate*:—

NAS-effeminate (1), soft (3).

AV-soft 3, effeminate 1; 4

1) soft, soft to the touch

2) metaph. in a bad sense

2a) effeminate

2a1) of a catamite

2a2) of a boy kept for homosexual relations with a man

2a3) of a male who submits his body to unnatural lewdness

2a4) of a male prostitute

Matthew 11:8

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"But what did you go out to see? A man dressed in **soft <3120 malakos>** clothing?
Those who wear **soft <3120 malakos>** clothing are in kings' palaces!

Luke 7:25

"But what did you go out to see? A man dressed in **soft <3120 malakos>** clothing?
Those who are splendidly clothed and live in luxury are *found* in royal palaces!

1 Corinthians 6:9

Or do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived; neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor **effeminate <3120 malakos>**, nor **homosexuals**,

Sensuality - Impurity

766 aselgeia aselgeia as-elg'-i-a

from a compound of **1** (as a negative particle) and a presumed selges (of uncertain derivation, but apparently meaning continent); TDNT-1:490,83; n f *licentiousness, wantonness*:—

NAS-licentiousness (1), sensual (1), sensuality (8).

AV-lasciviousness 6, wantonness 2, filthy 1; 9

1) unbridled lust, excess, licentiousness, lasciviousness, wantonness, outrageousness, shamelessness, insolence

For Synonyms see entry **5891**

Mark 7:22

deeds of coveting *and* wickedness, *as well as* deceit, **sensuality <766 aselgeia>**, envy, slander, pride *and* foolishness.

Romans 13:13

Let us behave properly as in the day, not in carousing and drunkenness, not in sexual promiscuity and **sensuality <766 aselgeia>**, not in strife and jealousy.

2 Corinthians 12:21

I am afraid that when I come again my God may humiliate me before you, and I may mourn over many of those who have sinned in the past and not repented of the impurity, immorality and sensuality **<766 aselgeia>** which they have practiced.

Galatians 5:19

Now the deeds of the flesh are evident, which are: immorality, impurity, **sensuality <766 aselgeia>**,

Ephesians 4:19

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and they, having become callous, have given themselves over to **sensuality <766 aselgeia>** for the practice of every kind of impurity with greediness.

1 Peter 4:3

For the time already past is sufficient *for you* to have carried out the desire of the Gentiles, having pursued a course of **sensuality <766 aselgeia>**, lusts, drunkenness, carousing, drinking parties and abominable idolatries.

2 Peter 2:2, 7, 18

2 Many will follow their **sensuality <766 aselgeia>**, and because of them the way of the truth will be maligned;

7 and *if* He rescued righteous Lot, oppressed by the **sensual <766 aselgeia>** conduct of unprincipled men

17 For speaking out arrogant *words* of vanity they entice by fleshly desires, by **sensuality <766 aselgeia>**, those who barely escape from the ones who live in error,

Jude 1:4

For certain persons have crept in unnoticed, those who were long beforehand marked out for this condemnation, ungodly persons who turn the grace of our God into **licentiousness <766 aselgeia>** and deny our only Master and Lord, Jesus Christ.

167 akayarsia akatharsia ak-ath-ar-see'-ah

from 169; TDNT-3:427,381; n f ; *uncleanness*:—

NAS-impurity (9), uncleanness (1).

AV-uncleanness 10; 10

1) uncleanness

1a) physical

1b) in a moral sense: the impurity of lustful, luxurious, profligate living 1b1) of impure motives

Romans 1:24

Therefore God gave them over in the lusts of their hearts to **impurity <167 akatharsia>**, so that their bodies would be dishonored among them.

Romans 6:19

I am speaking in human terms because of the weakness of your flesh. For just as you presented your members as slaves to **impurity <167 akatharsia>** and to lawlessness, resulting in *further* lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness, resulting in sanctification.

2 Corinthians 12:21

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I am afraid that when I come again my God may humiliate me before you, and I may mourn over many of those who have sinned in the past and not repented of the **impurity**

<167 akatharsia>, immorality and sensuality which they have practiced.

Galatians 5:19

Now the deeds of the flesh are evident, which are: immorality, **impurity <167 akatharsia>**, sensuality,

Ephesians 4:19

and they, having become callous, have given themselves over to sensuality for the practice of every kind of **impurity <167 akatharsia>** with greediness.

Ephesians 5:3

But immorality or any **impurity <167 akatharsia>** or greed must not even be named among you, as is proper among saints;

Colossians 3:5

Therefore consider the members of your earthly body as dead to immorality, **impurity <167 akatharsia>**, passion, evil desire, and greed, which amounts to idolatry.

1 Thessalonians 2:3

For our exhortation does not *come* from error or **impurity <167 akatharsia>** or by way of deceit;

1 Thessalonians 4:7

For God has not called us for the purpose of **impurity <167 akatharsia>**, but in sanctification.

Inordinate Sex Drive - Passions & Lusts

3806 *payov pathos path'-os*

from the alternate of **3958**; TDNT-5:926,798; n n *that which befalls one, a passion, a suffering:—*

NAS-passion (2), passions (1).

AV-inordinate affection 1, affection 1, lust 1; 3

1) whatever befalls one, whether it be sad or joyous

1a) spec. a calamity, mishap, evil, affliction

2) a feeling which the mind suffers

2a) an affliction of the mind, emotion, passion

2b) passionate deed

2c) used by the Greeks in either a good or bad sense

2d) in the NT in a bad sense, depraved passion, vile passions

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Romans 1:26

For this reason God gave them over to degrading **passions <3806 pathos>**; for their women exchanged the natural function for that which is unnatural,

Colossians 3:5

Therefore consider the members of your earthly body as dead to immorality, impurity, **passion <3806 pathos>**, evil desire, and greed, which amounts to idolatry.

1 Thessalonians 4:5

not in lustful **passion <3806 pathos>**, like the Gentiles who do not know God;

1939 *epiyumia epithumia* ep-ee-thoo-mee'-ah

from [1937](#); TDNT-3:168,339; n f *desire, passionate longing, lust*:—

NAS-coveting (2), desire (4), desires (8), earnestly (1), impulses (1), long (1), lust (5), lustful (1), lusts (15).

AV-lust 31, concupiscence 3, desire 3, lust after 1; 38

1) desire, craving, longing, desire for what is forbidden, lust

For Synonyms see entry [5845](#) & [5906](#)

Mark 4:19

but the worries of the world, and the deceitfulness of riches, and the **desires <1939 epithumia>** for other things enter in and choke the word, and it becomes unfruitful.

John 8:44

"You are of *your* father the devil, and you want to do the **desires <1939 epithumia>** of your father. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth

because there is no truth in him. Whenever he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own *nature*, for he is a liar and the father of lies.

Romans 1:24

Therefore God gave them over in the **lusts <1939 epithumia>** of their hearts to impurity, so that their bodies would be dishonored among them.

Romans 6:12

Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body so that you obey its **lusts <1939 epithumia>**,

Romans 7:7-8

7 What shall we say then? Is the Law sin? May it never be! On the contrary, I would not have come to know sin except through the Law; for I would not have known about **coveting <1939 epithumia>** if the Law had not said, "YOU SHALL NOT COVET."

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8 But sin, taking opportunity through the commandment, produced in me **coveting** <1939 epithumia> of every kind; for apart from the Law sin *is* dead.

Romans 13:14

But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh in regard to *its* **lusts** <1939 epithumia>.

Galatians 5:16

But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not carry out the **desire** <1939 epithumia> of the flesh.

Galatians 5:24

Now those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and **desires** <1939 epithumia>.

Ephesians 2:3

Among them we too all formerly lived in the **lusts** <1939 epithumia> of our flesh, indulging the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, even as the rest.

Ephesians 4:22

that, in reference to your former manner of life, you lay aside the old self, which is being corrupted in accordance with the **lusts** <1939 epithumia> of deceit,

Philippians 1:23

But I am hard-pressed from both *directions*, having the **desire** <1939 epithumia> to depart and be with Christ, for *that* is very much better;

Colossians 3:5

Therefore consider the members of your earthly body as dead to immorality, impurity, passion, evil **desire** <1939 epithumia>, and greed, which amounts to idolatry.

1 Thessalonians 4:5

not in **lustful** <1939 epithumia> passion, like the Gentiles who do not know God;

1 Timothy 6:9

But those who want to get rich fall into temptation and a snare and many foolish and harmful **desires** <1939 epithumia> which plunge men into ruin and destruction.

2 Timothy 2:22

Now flee from youthful **lusts** <1939 epithumia> and pursue righteousness, faith, love *and* peace, with those who call on the Lord from a pure heart.

2 Timothy 3:6

For among them are those who enter into households and captivate weak women weighed down with sins, led on by various **impulses** <1939 epithumia>,

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2 Timothy 4:3

For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but *wanting* to have their ears tickled, they will accumulate for themselves teachers in accordance to their own **desires <1939 epithumia>**,

Titus 2:12

instructing us to deny ungodliness and worldly **desires <1939 epithumia>** and to live sensibly, righteously and godly in the present age,

Titus 3:3

For we also once were foolish ourselves, disobedient, deceived, enslaved to various **lusts <1939 epithumia>** and pleasures, spending our life in malice and envy, hateful, hating one another.

James 1:14-15

14 But each one is tempted when he is carried away and enticed by his own **lust <1939 epithumia>**.

15 Then when **lust <1939 epithumia>** has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and when sin is accomplished, it brings forth death.

1 Peter 1:14

As obedient children, do not be conformed to the former **lusts <1939 epithumia>** which were yours in your ignorance,

1 Peter 2:11

Beloved, I urge you as aliens and strangers to abstain from fleshly **lusts <1939 epithumia>** which wage war against the soul.

1 Peter 4:2-3

2 so as to live the rest of the time in the flesh no longer for the lusts **<1939 epithumia>** of men, but for the will of God.

3 For the time already past is sufficient *for you* to have carried out the desire of the Gentiles, having pursued a course of sensuality, lusts **<1939 epithumia>**, drunkenness, carousing, drinking parties and abominable idolatries.

2 Peter 1:4

For by these He has granted to us His precious and magnificent promises, so that by them you may become partakers of *the* divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world by **lust <1939 epithumia>**.

2 Peter 2:10, 18

10 and especially those who indulge the flesh in *its* corrupt **desires <1939 epithumia>** and despise authority. Daring, self-willed, they do not tremble when they revile angelic majesties,

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18 For speaking out arrogant *words* of vanity they entice by fleshly **desires <1939 epithumia>**, by sensuality, those who barely escape from the ones who live in error,

2 Peter 3:3

Know this first of all, that in the last days mockers will come with *their* mocking, following after their own **lusts <1939 epithumia>**,

1 John 2:16-17

16 For all that is in the world, the **lust <1939 epithumia>** of the flesh and the **lust <1939 epithumia>** of the eyes and the boastful pride of life, is not from the Father, but is from the world.

17 The world is passing away, and *also* its **lusts <1939 epithumia>**; but the one who does the will of God lives forever.

Jude 16-18

16 These are grumblers, finding fault, following after their *own* **lusts <1939 epithumia>**; they speak arrogantly, flattering people for the sake of *gaining an* advantage.

17 But you, beloved, ought to remember the words that were spoken beforehand by the apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ,

18 that they were saying to you, "In the last time there will be mockers, following after their own ungodly **lusts <1939 epithumia>**."

Revelation 18:14

"The fruit you **long <1939 epithumia>** for has gone from you, and all things that were luxurious and splendid have passed away from you and *men* will no longer find them.

2691 katastrhniaw katastreniao kat-as-tray-nee-ah'-o

from 2596 and 4763; TDNT-3:631,420; v *to become wanton against*:—

NAS-feel sensual desires (1), feel sensual desires in disregard of (1).

AV-begin to wax wanton against 1; 1

1) to feel the impulses of sexual desire

1 Timothy 5:11

But refuse [to put] younger widows [on the list,] for when they feel **sensual desires in disregard <2691 katastreniao>** of Christ, they want to get married,

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2845 koith koite koy'-tay

from 2749; ; n f ; a *bed*:—

NAS-bed (2), conceived* (1), sexual promiscuity (1).

AV-bed 2, conceive 1, chambering 1; 4

- 1) a place for laying down, resting, sleeping in
 - 1a) a bed, couch
- 2) the marriage bed
 - 2a) of adultery
- 3) cohabitation, whether lawful or unlawful
 - 3a) sexual intercourse

Romans 13:13

Let us behave properly as in the day, not in carousing and drunkenness, not in **sexual promiscuity <2845 koite>** and sensuality, not in strife and jealousy.

Hebrews 13:4

Marriage [is to be held] in honor among all, and the [marriage] **bed <2845 koite>** [is to be] undefiled; for fornicators and adulterers God will judge.

4763 strhniaw streniao stray-nee-ah'-o

from a presumed derivative of 4764; ; v *to run riot*:—

NAS-lived sensuously (2).

AV-live deliciously 2; 2

- 1) to be wanton, to live luxuriously

Revelation 18:7, 9

7 "To the degree that she glorified herself and **lived sensuously <4763 streniao>**, to the same degree give her torment and mourning; for she says in her heart, 'I SIT as A QUEEN AND I AM NOT A WIDOW, and will never see mourning.'

9 "And the kings of the earth, who committed *acts of* immorality and **lived sensuously <4763 streniao>**, with her, will weep and lament over her when they see the smoke of her burning,

4764 strhnov strenos stray'-nos

from strhnhv strenes akin to 4731; ; n n (*hard, strong*); *insolent luxury*:—

NAS-sensuality (1).

AV-delicacy 1; 1

- 1) excessive strength which longs to break forth, over strength
- 2) luxury
- 3) eager desire

Revelation 18:3

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"For all the nations have drunk of the wine of the passion of her immorality, and the kings of the earth have committed [acts of] immorality with her, and the merchants of the earth have become rich by the wealth of her **sensuality.<4764 strenos>**"