

REASONS TO WAIT

- Purity paves the way to TRUE intimacy
- It's risk free
- Sex is worth waiting for
- You are worth waiting for
- AIDS doesn't discriminate
- STD's are increasing
- "Condom sense" is not enough
- There is no such thing as "safe sex"
- It increases self-respect
- Virginity is given, not lost
- It encourages commitment
- Your spouse will thank you
- Self-control beats birth control
- Babies need a lot more than love
- Possibility for prosperity increases
- It's honest--it's effective
- No risk now--no regret later
- Today's choices are tomorrow's future
- It is God's plan for you to stay pure until marriage



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STD FACTS FROM 2017 - 2019

- 6,088 persons estimated living with HIV in The Bahamas (December 2019)
- 1.3% of total population
- 2,894 males
- 2,392 females
- 5,294 AIDS deaths since 1985
- 70 AIDS related deaths in 2019
- 133 new diagnoses in 2019
- 15 HIV/TB co-infections
- 1200 case of chlamydia reported 2019
- 265 cases of gonorrhea
- 714 cases of Syphilis 2018
- Syphilis increased by 63%
- •57% of syphilis cases are women



Self Defense Session

SCRIPTURES THAT CAN STRENGTHEN YOU AS PARENTS

For if you live according to the sinful nature, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the misdeeds of the body, you will live.

Romans 8:13

1 Cor. 3:16 / 1 Cor. 6:18-20 / 1 Cor. 10:8 / 1
Thess. 5:22 / Gal. 5:19 / Col. 3:5 / James 4:7 /
Rom. 13:14

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Parental Help From The Bible On Sexual Purity



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It is God's will that you should be sanctified: that you should avoid sexual immorality.

1 Thessalonians 4:3

WHAT IS SEXUAL PURITY

It is the act and attitude of refraining from sexual activity outside of marriage. It is the decision to guard your heart and mind by not allowing impure thoughts or attitudes to take over. It is having faith that we are worthy of more than short-term pleasures, and that there is something better planned for your life.

Sexual Purity takes commitment and is a choice that allows you to keep yourself until marriage as a covenant agreement with GOD for His will to be accomplished in your life.



Purity Pledging Ceremony

From the beginning GOD's design for man and woman was for them to remain sexually pure until marriage. Genesis 2:24-25 says: Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh. And the man and his wife were both naked and were not ashamed." They were not ashamed because they were both virgins and in covenant relationship with GOD.

THE BENEFITS OF WAITING

EMOTIONALLY YOU HAVE: Freedom from guilt, anxiety, grief and emotional scars.

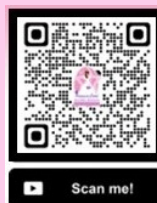
PHYSICALLY YOU HAVE: No premarital pregnancy, No unwanted child, No sexual diseases (STI's) and No abortion consequences

SOCIALLY YOU WILL HAVE: Positive relationships, Positive self-image, Positive values and a Positive reputation

SPIRITUALLY YOU WILL HAVE: a pure conscience before God, a pure vision for God's will, a pure motive initiated by God and a pure relationship with God.

Deut. 28: 28: Now it shall come to pass, if you diligently obey the voice of the Lord your God, to observe carefully all His commandments which I command you today, that the Lord your God will set you high above all nations of the earth.

The benefits of waiting far out weight the consequences of not waiting. In accordance with GOD's word, He has commanded parents to foster the mindset of maintaining sexual purity, through the training of their children. Prov. 22:6: *Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it.* Esther listened to Mordecai and waited and married the King and as a result was able to save the Jews.



CONSEQUENCES OF NOT WAITING

As Godly parents, we should discipline our children. God also disciplines His Children. *For whom the Lord love He chastens and scourges every son whom He receives. (Hebrews 12:6).* Therefore it is important that parents give their children the consequences and the benefits that they will encounter by choosing to wait or not wait.

EMOTIONALLY, YOU WILL HAVE: guilt, anxiety, grief, fear, no sense of purpose or direction, insecurity, shame, confusion and emotional scars.

PHYSICALLY YOU MAY HAVE: premarital pregnancy, unwanted child, rape, sexual abuse, physical trauma, sexual diseases (STI's) and abortion.

SOCIALLY YOU MAY HAVE: Negative relationships, Negative self-image, Negative values and a Negative reputation.

SPIRITUALLY YOU MAY HAVE: unclear conscience before God, a distorted vision of God's will, double-minded spirit, open to demonic attacks, motives initiated by your flesh and a separation from God. Samson did not wait and died with his enemies in prison. Judges Chapters 13-16

