

PASSING THE FAITH To the Next Generation



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Text: 2 Tim 2:22

Sermon Title: “Run for your life: Building a Pure Church for the Next Generation.”

I. Understanding the Battle.

- Temptation begins within (James 1:13–15)
- The **bait and hook**: desire promises life but leads to death
- The **cycle of lust**:
 1. Desire
 2. Deception
 3. Decision
 4. Distance

Key Truth:

What you feed grows. What you starve weakens.

II. Understanding God’s Strategy:

Don’t Fight Lust—Flee It

- “Flee youthful passions” (2 Tim 2:22)
- Example: Joseph (Genesis 39)
- 1 Corinthians 6:18 — “Flee sexual immorality”

Replace, Don’t Just Remove

- Pursue righteousness, faith, love, and peace
- Renew your mind (Romans 12:1–2)

III. Breaking the Cycle: Pathways to Freedom

- Take sin seriously (Matthew 5:27–30)

Practical Application:

- Lock down your phone.

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- Download accountability software.

Key Truth:

Don't pray for purity while protecting access to impurity.

Parents, talk to your children about internet safety.

Don't Fight Alone

- “Along with those who call on the Lord...” (2 Tim 2:22)
- Accountability and community are essential

Don't Conceal it, Confess it!

- Proverbs 28:13
- Healing begins with honesty

Gospel Hope

- Christ forgives
- Christ cleanses
- Christ restores

Key Truth:

There is no sin so deep that the grace of God cannot go deeper.

Recommended Resources:

Book: Jay Stringer, *Unwanted: How sexual brokenness reveals our way to healing.* (Colorado Springs: NavPress, 2018).

Covenant Eyes Accountability Software <https://www.covenanteyes.com/five-stones/>

Books for parents for talking to your kids about pornography:

[Good Pictures, Bad Pictures Jr.](#) ages 4-7

[Good Pictures, Bad Pictures](#) ages 6-11

Website resource: <https://www.protectyouneyes.com/>

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