

Trials & Temptations 1 Thessalonians 3-4:12

It's not that trials make you or break you – they simply _____ what's _____ inside of you.

"...In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world." - John 16:33

C.3.VV.3-4: Paul reminded the Thessalonians that believers should live expecting _____.

C.3.V.5: "The tempter" looks for _____ moments to tempt us, when our faith is _____.

C.3.VV.6-8: Our trials are some of our greatest _____ to encourage and _____ to others.

I have no greater joy than to hear that my children walk in truth.
- 3 John 4

Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all, especially to those who are of the household of faith. - Galatians 6:10
...the fruit of the Spirit is love joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. - Galatians 5:22-23

C.3.V.12: Only _____ can _____ us to "increase and abound in love".

C.4.V.3: sanctification = *designated/appointed for a special purpose*

sexual immorality = *any sexual activity outside of God's design for sex*

"...from the beginning of the creation, God 'made them male and female.' 'For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh'; so then they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let not man separate."
- Mark 10:6-9 (*Jesus speaking, referencing Genesis 1:27 & 2:24*)

C.4.V.4: vessel = *body; container (of the Holy Spirit)*

The secret to great sex is following the _____ of the One who _____ it.

C.4.V.6: From God's perspective, sex outside of marriage is taking what belongs to _____.

The wife does not have authority over her own body, but the husband does. And likewise the husband does not have authority over his own body, but the wife does. - 1 Corinthians 7:4

Flee sexual immorality. Every sin that a man does is outside the body, but he who commits sexual immorality sins against his own body. - 1 Corinthians 6:18

Whoever commits adultery with a woman lacks understanding; He who does so destroys his own soul. - Proverbs 6:32

We can choose to disregard God's design for sexuality but we cannot exempt ourselves from the _____ of doing so.

C.4.V.8: The Bible does not give us the room to _____ Jesus, while _____ His views on sexuality.