



## Colossians 3:5-6

### Be Careful of

### Those Things that Lurk

**Colossians 3:5** So put to death the sinful, earthly things lurking within you. Have nothing to do with sexual immorality, impurity, lust, and evil desires. Don't be greedy, for a greedy person is an idolater, worshipping the things of this world.

**Colossians 3:6** Because of these sins, the anger of God is coming.

1. Follow God's directions and constantly sanitize your \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

a. Mind – What you allow yourself to \_\_\_\_\_ about

**2 Corinthians 10:5** We demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God, and we take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ. NIV

b. Heart – What you allow yourself to \_\_\_\_\_

2. If you don't stop thinking about this sin, you will start \_\_\_\_\_ this sin.

3. A key to helping us understand this warning from Paul, is the word "lurking". If you wouldn't do it in public or talk about it in public ask yourself, "Is this a \_\_\_\_\_ from my life before Christ?"

4. In today's culture we have to be so much more careful about dealing with our minds and the \_\_\_\_\_ the evil one plants in our path.

5. To be greedy is to want something for myself to the point of making it a \_\_\_\_\_ of my life to get or have it.

6. There is a slow progression to the sin of greed:

a. I \_\_\_\_\_ that!

b. In order to be happy and fulfilled, I \_\_\_\_\_ that!

c. I \_\_\_\_\_ that!

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7. Your mind is your most important garden. Keep \_\_\_\_\_ it and you will produce the fruit God has for you to produce.

8. I need to constantly sanitize my thinking, reminding myself that God's ways are the very \_\_\_\_\_.

9. We each have to first understand \_\_\_\_\_ we need to stop living the lives we were living before Christ rescued us.

10. We each have to come to grip with that fact that the sins we used to enjoy were:

a. \_\_\_\_\_ us

b. Causing us to miss the \_\_\_\_\_ God has for us

c. Causing us to \_\_\_\_\_ our Father.

11. The greatest encouragement is to know that you won't be walking away from your old sinful life \_\_\_\_\_. Christ is with you!

**1 John 4:4** But you belong to God, my dear children. You have already won a victory over those people, because the Spirit who lives in you is greater than the spirit who lives in the world. NLT

12. I have to want this! I have to want to be the person God created me to be. It's a constant job accomplished by constantly "stripping off" my old thought life. This is accomplished by developing a daily \_\_\_\_\_ with Christ.

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