

# Chastity

## *Why did God command us to live it?*

2 Nephi 2:25	Joy
1 Cor 6:13-20	Bodies sacred. Harlots. Flee fornication. Body is temple of H.G. Bought with a price.
1 Cor 3:16-17	Ye are temple of God. Defile, God will destroy
DC 88:15 DA 93:34	Spirit and body (joined) are the soul of man. Sin of chastity is a sin against the soul, not just the body.
1 Cor 7:2, 8-9	To avoid fornication, get married, avoid burning
DC 42:22-25	Chastity shows love, trustworthiness to spouse
Jeffrey .R. Holland, Oct 1998, G.Conf DC 19:15-20 <b>DC 88:15</b> <b>SOULS</b>	We declare that one who uses the God-given body of another without divine sanction <b>abuses the very soul</b> of that individual, abuses the central purpose and processes of life, the very key to life. In exploiting the body of another- which means exploiting his or her soul – one desecrates the Atonement of Christ, which saved that soul and which makes possible the gift of eternal life.
Jeffrey .R. Holland, Oct 1998, G.Conf DA 128:18  <b>SYMBOLS</b>	Human intimacy is reserved for a married couple because it is the <b>ultimate symbol of total union</b> , a totality and a union ordained and defined by God... marriage was intended to mean the complete merger of a man and a woman – their hearts, hopes, lives, love, family, future, everything... this union is of such completeness that we use the word “seal” to convey its eternal promise.
Jeffrey .R. Holland, Oct 1998, G.Conf <b>Sacraments</b>	Physical intimacy is not only a symbolic union between a husband and a wife – the very uniting of their souls – but it is also <b>symbolic of a shared relationship between them and their Father in Heaven</b> ... One aspect of that divinity given to virtually all men and women is the use of His power to create a human body.

## *Blessings from living the Law of Chastity*

DC 131:1-4	Families ONLY if exalted. Otherwise, alone
Alma 41:10	Righteousness IS happiness
1 Cor 11:11	Neither man without woman <i>in the Lord</i>

## *What are the consequences if we do not live it?*

1 Cor 6:9-10	Cannot be saved (misery, alone)
Mormon 9:3-5 Mosiah 3:25 2 Nephi 9:14	Hell – suffering of conscience, perfect knowledge of what might have been, torment
DC 131:1-4	Families ONLY if exalted. Otherwise, alone
DC 132:7 DC 76:53	Holy Spirit of Promise withdraws ratification of ALL ordinances – as if no atonement made
DC 42:22-25	Spirit withdraws, cast out
Proverbs 6:32	Destroys own soul (27-33, fire)
Alma 39:11	Would not believe father’s words when they saw Corianton’s behavior – how can

	a parent teach their son or daughter to love chastity if they have not lived the law themselves?
Alma 41:10	Wickedness never was happiness
Alma 12:11	We empower Satan to control us more

***How does God view adultery, fornication?***

Alma 39:3-5	Most abominable except sin against HG, murder. Such sin cannot be reversed through repentance (one cannot restore virtue or life)
DC 42:25	Forgiveness available if repents completely
Exodus 20:14	7 <sup>th</sup> commandment – lower law of Moses
Lev 20:10	Mosaic Law: put to death
Moroni 9:9	Precious above all: chastity, virtue
DC 59:6	Adultery “or anything like unto it”
DC 63:16	He that looketh to lust shall not have the Spirit
The Family: Proclamation to the World	“the means by which mortal life is created [is] divinely appointed”... “the sacred powers of procreation are to be employed only between man and woman, lawfully wedded as husband and wife”.