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I THESSALONIANS

Part Thirty Eight: "Excellence in Moral Purity, Part 4"

I Thessalonians 4:6

That no man go beyond and defraud his brother in any matter: because that the Lord is the avenger of all such, as we also have forewarned you and testified.

Moral Purity is a matter of <u>personal</u> <u>integrity</u>.

Integrity is the <u>ability</u> to keep yourself within basic personal <u>boundaries</u> of decency and honesty in your interactions with other people.

1. Personal boundaries apply to everyone.

That no man go beyond

2. When I violate moral boundaries I am cheating other people.

and defraud his brother

3. Moral boundaries are as real as tangible boundaries.

in any matter

4. God is the <u>Protector</u> of other people's boundaries.

because that the Lord is the avenger of all such

- 5. We should heed the <u>warnings</u> of godly people regarding moral boundaries.

 as we also have forewarned you
- 6. We should learn from the <u>pain</u> of people who have suffered the consequences of violating someone else's boundaries.

and testified

7. You will fail in moral purity if you only focus on staying inside your boundaries, without first focusing on knowing God, and without also focusing on not violating the boundaries of others.