

1) I desire to please God more than the pleasure of sin.

2 Timothy 2:22

Flee the evil desires of youth, and pursue righteousness, faith, love and peace, along with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart.

Psalms 51:10

Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me.

Psalms 139:23-24

²³ Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts.

²⁴ See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

2) I choose to think biblically.

Psalms 119:1

Blessed are they whose ways are blameless, who walk according to the Law of the Lord.

Psalms 119:9-11

⁹ How can a young man keep his way pure? By living according to your word.

¹⁰ I seek you with all my heart; do not let me stray from your commands.

¹¹ I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you.

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.

Philippians 4:8

Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things.

3) I cannot control my sex drive.

1 Thessalonians 4:3-7

³ It is God's will that you should be sanctified: that you should avoid sexual immorality;

⁴ that each of you should learn to control his own body in a way that is holy and honorable,

⁵ not in passionate lust like the heathen, who do not know God;

⁶ and that in this matter no one should wrong his brother or take advantage of him. The Lord will punish men for all such sins, as we have already told you and warned you.

⁷ For God did not call us to be impure, but to live a holy life.

Proverbs 23:26-28

²⁶ My son, give me your heart and let your eyes keep to my ways,

²⁷ for a prostitute is a deep pit and a wayward wife is a narrow well.

²⁸ Like a bandit she lies in wait, and multiplies the unfaithful among men.

4) I think it is okay to view a few pornographic images.

Matthew 5:27-28

²⁷ You have heard that it was said, “Do not commit adultery.”

²⁸ But I tell you that anyone who looks at a woman lustfully has already committed adultery with her in his heart.

Ephesians 5:3

But among you there must not be even a hint of sexual immorality, or of any kind of impurity, or of greed, because these are improper for God's holy people.

Proverbs 5:21-23

²¹ For a man's ways are in full view of the Lord, and he examines all his paths.

²² The evil deeds of a wicked man ensnare him; the cords of his sin hold him fast.

²³ He will die for lack of discipline, led astray by his own great folly.

Proverbs 6:25-27

²⁵ Do not lust in your heart after her beauty or let her captivate you with her eyes,

²⁶ for the prostitute reduces you to a loaf of bread, and the adulteress preys upon your very life.

²⁷ Can a man scoop fire into his lap without his clothes being burned?

5) I can rely on God's help to overcome temptation.**1 Corinthians 10:12-13**

¹² So, if you think you are standing firm, be careful that you don't fall!

¹³ No temptation has seized you except what is common to man. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can stand up under it.

Hebrews 4:14-16

¹⁴ Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has gone through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess.

¹⁵ For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet was without sin.

¹⁶ Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.”

Titus 2:11-13

¹¹ For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men.

¹² It teaches us to say “No” to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age,

¹³ while we wait for the blessed hope—the glorious appearing of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ.

6) I am prepared for the challenges of living a godly life.**2 Timothy 3:12**

In fact, everyone who wants to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted.

1 Peter 5:8-10

⁸ Be self-controlled and alert. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour.

⁹ Resist him, standing firm in the faith, because you know that your brothers throughout the world are undergoing the same kind of sufferings.

¹⁰ And the God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ, after you have suffered a little while, will himself restore you and make you strong, firm and steadfast.

Hebrews 12:1

Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us.