

March 18 & 19, 2017

Week #4

GUARD RAILS

A STUDY IN PROVERBS
DISCUSSION GUIDE

Guardrails: Proverbs 7

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OPENING QUESTIONS

1. Describe the signs and effects you see in our culture today when it comes to sexuality, purity, and a lack of guardrails? Which concern you the most? Why?
2. For you personally, how have a lack of guardrails for maintaining purity most harmed you? Be honest and specific.
3. What questions or thoughts do you have about Pastor Carter's message?

IN THE WORD

1. Read [Proverbs 7](#) (entire chapter).
2. This chapter is graphic in an understated way – what images, descriptions, and phrases are most striking to you as you look through the chapter?
3. Why and in what ways does adultery or promiscuous sexual activity look attractive?
4. What takes place, according to Proverbs, as temptation grows stronger and stronger?
5. What surrounding circumstances enable and make this sexual sin possible and alluring?
6. What life-changing and life-ending results occur according to verses 7:21-27?
7. Who are other men and women from the Bible who struggled to maintain purity? How were their lives affected and changed?

MAKING IT PERSONAL

1. Pastor Carter mentioned several practical steps to serve as “guardrails” for purity. Which ones stood out to you? Which ones do you need to implement in your own life right now.
2. Accountability, openness and honesty are critical for making progress – how and with whom do you need to be accountable, open, and honest?
3. Spend time individually or in smaller groups seeking God’s forgiveness for sexual sin in your own life – confessing that to Him.
4. How could you develop and utilize more day to day accountability and transparency in your own life – for every area of your life? What steps do you need to take this week? Report back to the group.

CONTINUED LEARNING...

1. Look at [1 Corinthians 6](#) and [10](#) along with [1 Thessalonians 4](#). What more can we learn from Paul about the temptation and consequences of sexual immorality?
2. Who is someone you know struggling in this area of maintaining purity? How can you reach out with the love and forgiveness of Jesus?

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