

# Lust, Desires

**1. Eve's sin began with lusting. Gen. 3:6.** So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, that it was pleasant to the eyes, and- a tree desirable to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate. She also gave to her husband with her, and he ate.

**2. Don't covet. Exod. 20:17.** "You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, nor his male servant, nor his female servant, nor his ox, nor his donkey, nor anything that is your neighbor's."

**3. Don't think about how to gratify the sinful nature. Rom. 13:14.** But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to fulfill its lusts.

**4. Say no to ungodly passions. Titus 2:11–12.** For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men, teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age.

**5. Those who fulfill evil desires are objects of God's wrath. Eph. 2:3.** Among whom also we all once conducted ourselves in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, just as the others.

**6. Christ came to save us from lust and evil desires.**

**Eph. 2:4–5.** But God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved).

**7. Don't conform to evil desires, but be holy. 1 Peter**

**1:14–16.** As obedient children, not conforming yourselves to the former lusts, as in your ignorance; but as He who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, because it is written, "Be holy, for I am holy." **1 Peter 2:11.** Beloved, I beg you as sojourners and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts which war against the soul.

**8. Live by the Spirit to overcome the lusts of the flesh.**

**Gal. 5:16.** I say then: Walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh.

**9. Those who live according to the sinful nature have their minds set on what that nature desires. Rom. 8:5–8.**

For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit, the things of the Spirit. For to be carnally minded is death, but to be spiritually minded is life and peace. Because the carnal mind is enmity against God; for it is not subject to the law of God, nor indeed can be. So then, those who are in the flesh cannot please God.