

Sermon title: "Personal Holiness Is My Goal"

Text: Genesis 39

1 Peter 1:13-15 in light of the precious salvation that is ours: "Therefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and rest your hope fully upon the grace that is to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ; 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."

2 Corinthians 6:14-7:1

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4 ways to avoid giving in to temptation and pursue personal holiness:

A. Have dogmatic refusal (**v. 8**)

2 Cor. 10:3-5 "...we do not war according to the flesh. For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh. For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God, for pulling down strongholds, casting down arguments and every high things that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ."

B. Have definitive reasoning (**vv. 8-9a**)

C. Have divine recognition (**v. 9b**)

D. Have decisive resolve (**vv. 10-12**)