



Open Heaven 18 July 2024 Today Devotional: FLEE FORNICATION

### **Description**

The Open Heaven 18 July 2024 devotional for today is FLEE FORNICATION.

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## **OPEN HEAVEN 18 JULY 2024 TODAY DEVOTIONAL**

### **TOPIC: FLEE FORNICATION**

#### **MEMORISE**

**Flee fornication. Every sin that a man doeth is without the body; but he that committeth fornication sinneth against his own body.**

1 Corinthians 6:18

#### **READ: Ephesians 5:3-8**

3 But fornication, and all uncleanness, or covetousness, let it not be once named among you, as becometh saints;

4 Neither filthiness, nor foolish talking, nor jesting, which are not convenient: but rather giving of thanks.

5 For this ye know, that no whoremonger, nor unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, hath any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God.

6 Let no man deceive you with vain words: for because of these things cometh the wrath of God upon the children of disobedience.

7 Be not ye therefore partakers with them.

8 For ye were sometimes darkness, but now are ye light in the Lord: walk as children of light:

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## **RCCG OPEN HEAVEN 18 JULY 2024 TODAY MESSAGE**

Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you? If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are.

1 Corinthians 3:16-17

The above passage says that God destroys fornicators; He destroys them Himself. If a believer does not want God to destroy him or her, he or she must avoid fornication by all means. When fornication comes knocking on the door of your heart, you must flee!

How do you flee fornication? First, stay away from anything that can lead to fornication. Don't stay in secluded places alone with someone of the opposite sex. Don't have immoral conversations with that fellow who claims to be your friend because evil communication corrupts good manners (1 Corinthians 15:33).

If someone is making sexual advances at you, run! Don't give room for the fellow to try and convince you at all. When Potiphar's wife was trying to get Joseph to sleep with her, he ran for his dear life (Genesis 39:7-12).

Beloved, there is no point in Christians entering into romantic relationships if the mutual intention is not marriage – a relationship like that is a time bomb, waiting to blow up its participants.

If you cannot tell your pastor that you want to go into a relationship with someone, then you must not go into that relationship. A child of God should not have casual romantic relationships, rather, he or she should have a fiancé or fiancée.

If you are mature enough to get married, and the desire to have sexual relations is getting so much that it is difficult to cope, then get married.

God sanctions sexual relations only within the confines of marriage. To avoid the destruction that comes with fornication, it is better that you get married.

The Bible says in 1 Corinthians 7:9, "But if they cannot contain, let them marry: for it is better to marry than to burn."

There is absolutely nothing worthwhile to gain or enjoy from fornicating; the result is always destruction. If you don't believe me, ask Samson or Reuben. They will tell you that if they could reverse time, the only thing they would change about their lives is that they would avoid fornication.

## **OPEN HEAVEN 18 JULY 2024 KEY POINT**

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## **BIBLE IN ONE YEAR**

Isaiah 15-19

## **HYMN 1**

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