

Getting Unstuck In A Sticky World

Part 4 - Sticky Standards

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Acts 5:41 (NKJV) So they departed from the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer shame for His name.

STICKY VALUES

1. _____
2 Timothy 3:1-4 (NKJV) abbr. 1 But know this, that in the last days perilous times will come: For men will be...lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God.

Pleasure is, and must remain, a side-effect or by-product, and is destroyed and spoiled to the degree to which it is made a goal in itself.
-Author, Holocaust survivor: Viktor Frankl

Proverbs 9:17-18 (NKJV) "Stolen water is sweet, And bread eaten in secret is pleasant." 18 But he does not know that the dead are there, That her guests are in the depths of hell.

Pleasure seeking, as we learn from experience, is a barren business; happiness is never found until we have the grace to stop looking for it and to give our attention to persons and matters external to ourselves.
J. I. Packer

Revelation 4:11 (KJV) Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created.

2. _____
Noun: Tendency to think material objects are more important than people; desire for money over ethics.

Job 31:24-28 (NJB) Have I put my faith in gold, saying to fine gold, 'Ah, my security'? 25 Have I ever gloated over my great wealth, or the riches that my hands have won? 26 Or has the sight of the sun in its glory, or the glow of the moon as it walked the sky, 27 secretly stolen my heart, so that I blew them a kiss? 28 That too would be a criminal offence, to have denied the supreme God.

Matthew 6:19-20 "Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal. But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal"

3. _____
Proverbs 29:23 (NJB) Pride brings humiliation, whoever humbles himself will win honour.

Pride is to character like the attic to the house, the highest part and generally the most empty.
Sydney H. Gay

Answers: 1. Pleasure 2. Materialism 3. Pride