

# Participants Homework Guide

For the week of February 25, 2018

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## Key Points:

- Secrecy is the enemy of intimacy.
- I promise to confide in you and not hide from you.
- You can't build a Life of Righteousness on a Foundation of Sin.

## Key Questions:

- Read Genesis 2:24-25 & 3:7. Why do you believe they went from being naked and aware of their nakedness? Where did the shame come from?
- How would you describe what shame and secrecy can do to relationships? Why do you think this happens?
- Do you agree with this statement, why or why not? "Shame is Satan's tool of Connecting the Act to MY Identity."
- Read Ephesians 5:3, 8-15. What does Paul teach us about sin and secrecy?
- Read Matthew 5:27-28. Why do you think Jesus drew such a strong line with lust?
- Read Psalm 119:9-11. How do you stay pure? How does this affect who you hang out with, what you watch, and where you go?
- **You can't build a Life of Righteousness on a Foundation of Sin.** Describe what kind of foundation you would want for your marriage or life.
- Read Proverbs 28:13, James 5:16. Have you ever experienced the power of confession, forgiveness, and grace? Can you share some of your story?
- What could you do to eliminate temptation before it happens?

## NEXT STEP

- Tell your spouse and/or someone you trust about any areas you're feeling shame or struggling with purity.
- Memorize Proverbs 28:13.

### **Start praying. Be bold, and pray with power.**

Jesus, thank You for being the perfect sacrifice for our sins. Holy Spirit, give us the strength we need to resist temptation. Show us the sin we need to cut out of our lives so that we can be children of the light. Amen!

## PRAYER REQUESTS