

Story of a foolish young man

Proverbs -Chapter 7





Main Points

- Introduction
- Characteristics of crafty Harlot.
- Consequences
- Solution to escape the trap
- Biblical Examples (Bad and Good Ones)
- Summary and Conclusion



Introduction

- Story of a foolish young man who visits an immoral woman
- Strong warning to young people to be careful of all friendships and association with women
- One step leads to another very quickly in this area
- If you are not careful you will have life time regret

Foolish Young Man

- Naive
- Lack of Wisdom
- Lack of Experience
- Lack of Insight
- Heart Intentions
- Desires of flesh

Prov 7

7 And saw among the **simple**,
I perceived among the youths,
A young man **void of**
understanding,
8 **Passing along** the street near her
corner;
And he **took the path to her**
house
9 In the twilight, in the evening,
In the **black and dark night**.



Characteristics of a Crafty Harlot

- Attire of a Harlot 7:10
- Craftiness 7:10
- Loud and rebellious 7:11
- Lurking for somebody 7:12
- Offered Peace offerings(Food) 7:14
- Comfort, Luxury, Perfumes(Richness)7:16,17
- Not faithful to husband 7:19
- Tells about the Protection and Security 7:20
- Enticing Speech 7:21
- Flattering Lips 7:21



Consequences

- Like Ox goes to the slaughter (Prov 7:22)
- Like a Stag caught in a Trap (Prov 7:22 NLT)
- Way to hell (Prov 7:27)
- Descending to chambers of death (Prov 7:27)

What Bible is saying about Sin of Adultery

➤ Seventh Commandment – “**You shall not commit adultery** – Exodus 20:14

➤ Adultery in the Heart (Jesus words)

Mathew 5:27 “You have heard that it was said to those of old, ‘You shall not commit adultery.’

²⁸ But I say to you that whoever looks at a woman to lust for her has already committed adultery with her in his heart.

²⁹ If your right eye causes you to sin, pluck it out and cast it from you; for it is more profitable for you that one of your members perish, than for your whole body to be cast into hell.

What Bible is saying about Sin of Adultery -2

- Proverbs 6:32 **Whoever commits adultery with a woman lacks understanding;**
He who does so destroys his own soul.
- Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived. Neither **fornicators**, nor idolaters, nor **adulterers**, nor homosexuals, nor sodomites... 1 Cor 6:9
- Flee sexual immorality. Every sin that a man does is outside the body, but he who commits sexual immorality sins against his own body – 1 Corinthians 6:18
- Marriage *is* honorable among all, and the bed undefiled; **but fornicators and adulterers God will judge – Hebrews 13:4**
- Adulterers and adulteresses! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? **Whoever therefore wants to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God – James 4:4**

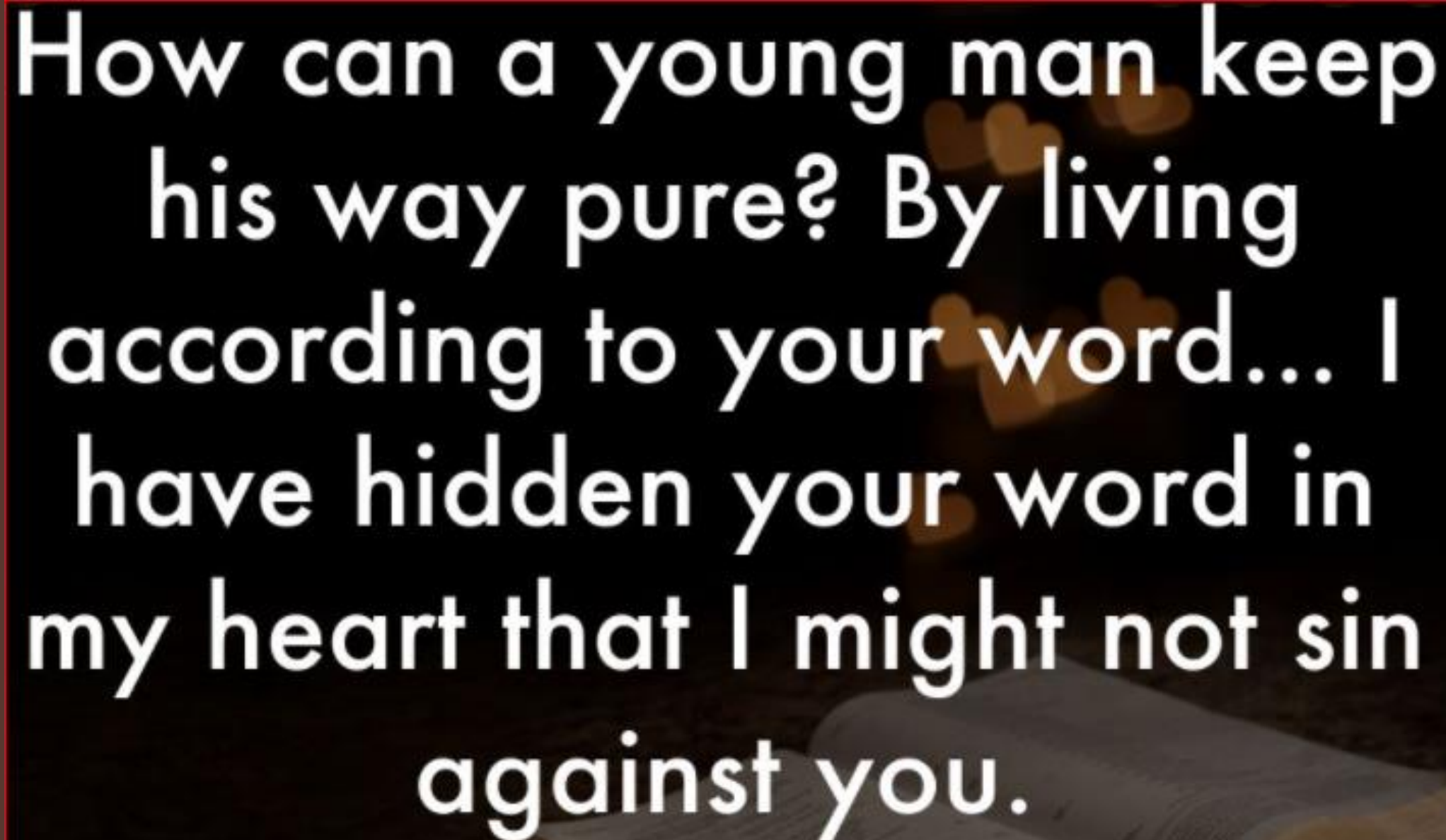


Solution

- Proverbs 7:1 My son, **keep my words,**
And treasure my commands within you.
- ² **Keep my commands** and live,
And **my law** as the apple of your eye.
- ³ **Bind them on your fingers;**
Write them on the tablet of your heart.
- ⁴ Say to wisdom, “***You are my sister,***”
And call understanding ***your nearest kin,***
- ⁵ **That they may keep you from the immoral woman,**
From the seductress *who* flatters with her words.



“My son, keep my words And treasure my
commandments within you. Keep my commandments
and live, And my teaching as the apple of your eye.
Bind them on your fingers; Write them on the tablet
of your heart” Proverbs 7:1-3

An open book is shown at the bottom of the image, with its pages slightly blurred. The background is dark with several glowing, golden hearts scattered across it. The text is overlaid on this background in a white, sans-serif font.

How can a young man keep
his way pure? By living
according to your word... I
have hidden your word in
my heart that I might not sin
against you.

Psalm 119:9,11



Biblical Examples (Bad and Good Ones)

➤ **Samson (Bad) –Judges 13-16**

Two Lions (External and Internal)

➤ **Joseph (Good) - Genesis 39**

➤ **Timothy (Good) - 1 Timothy 2:22**

Flee also youthful lusts; but pursue righteousness, faith, love, peace with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart.



JESUS

For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in *all points tempted* as we are, yet without sin (Hebrews 4:15)



Exemplary Life of Jesus

- He came to do Father's will (John 6:38)
- Spoke about eternal life to Samaritan Woman (John 4:7-42)
- Forgiveness of the Adulterous woman (John 8:11)
- Victorious over Temptations (Matthew 4:1-10)
(Food, Power, World's richness and Splendor.)
- Carried the Cross everyday



Summary and Conclusion

- Its Story of a foolish young man and its warning to him to be careful of all their friendships and association with women.
- Many young believers ruined their lives and not lived according to the Plan that God had planned for them.
- Look unto **HIM** and follow **HIM**.

Luke 9:23

Then he said to them all:

“If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me.”

