# **Resurvection Life of Jesus Church** TAKING CONTROL OF YOUR LIFE RLJ-1099 JOHN S. TORELL SEPTEMBER 16, 2007 PART 2B: GUARDING THE EYES

## THE WEAKNESS OF THE EYE

- Skilled artists began producing statues of naked men and women thousands of years ago that were used to entice men and women into sexual sins. Pornography was birthed when other skilled artists were able to paint nude pictures of men and women.
- □ The technology of the printing press was a gift from God; Satan immediately started to use this new technology and introduced written and picture pornography.
- Once man had discovered electricity and how to make light bulbs, cameras and film, this new technology was once again used by the Devil to make pornography even more sophisticated.
- □ Today, pornography is one of the biggest money makers in the world. Through the television and a computer, there is no end to the sexual perversion for the human eye to see.
- People attending a gambling house or nightclub are served by scantily clad young women. The advertisement industry is using sexual images to sell everything from cars to soap. It does not matter where a person goes today in the United States, nakedness of men and women stare us in the face all the time.
- □ Thus, the eye is the main portal for demons into human bodies, and once they have established a foothold, they will bring in thousands of other evil spirits who will establish themselves in the body. James 4:1-3

### HOW DOES A CHRISTIAN DEFEND HIS EYES?

Defending your eyes cannot be done in the flesh; it has to be done through the power of the Holy Spirit. **2 Corinthians 10:2-6** 

- 1. You need to make a decision not to sit in the seat of scornful. Psalm 1:1-6
- 2. As we move around on this earth on a daily basis, we will be exposed to sinful images of men and women flaunting the nakedness of their bodies. As soon as our eyes detect a sinful image, we must willfully make a decision to quickly remove our eyes from the object and reject the seducing spirit in the object and proclaim, *"I do not have to stare at this image; I am not going to commit sin in my heart."* Men need to learn to look women straight in the face and not survey their bodies. James 4:4-10



- 3. As Christian men and women, you need to dress in such a way that you will not entice other men and women to sin. Don't be part of the problem, be part of the solution.
- 4. Don't bring lusting demons into your house by watching ungodly television and movies. Be careful with newspapers and magazines and don't decorate your house with oil paintings and statues that are pornographic.
- 5. Don't try and "manage" the nakedness flaunted in front of you, *turn and run away from it*! **1 Corinthians 6:15-20**
- 6. Experience has taught me that an object in itself does not invoke lust by just looking at it. An evil spirit will use the object to create lust in the person seeing the object. As a result, when a man or woman sees another person and feels lust rise up in their soul, it is actually a powerful demon in the object that is projecting his power into the soul of the person seeing the object and trying to overpower the will of the person so that they will move toward and engage the object with the senses of touch, taste, smell and hearing.

It was not the fruit that enticed Eve but the Devil who created the lust in the soul of Eve to take the fruit and eat it. **Genesis 3:1-6** 

When a man looks at a beautiful woman and feels lust in his soul, he should remember that there is an ugly evil spirit sitting in the woman's body and waiting for the man to come and embrace the woman, so that this grotesque demon can enter the man's body and make his home there. The same holds true for a woman lusting after a man, or a person lusting after a person of the same gender. If we could see the hideous evil spirit, no human being in his right mind would want to embrace such a detestable thing from the kingdom of Satan.

Some eight years ago we had an older woman in her late 70s whom I will call "Lilly" come and join our church. She claimed to be a widow. There are many older people who are good looking and the goodness inside the person makes them very pleasant to be around, but in my opinion, this woman was not much to look at and very skinny. Lilly was in need of food and monetary help, so the church helped her out.

I assigned a man who was divorced and in his late 50s whom I will call "Ron" to pick up Lilly for church and take her shopping. He was very well off financially but lonely since his wife had deserted and divorced him. In less than a year, Lilly had seduced Ron and they ran off and got married. Once she had him, Lilly forbade him to go back to our church, and they moved to a place in the Midwest. Since she claimed that she was a "prophetess", she had Ron change his name to Paul and convinced him that the two of them were going to be used by God to change the world.

Some six years after this took place, I received a letter from Ron, who told me he was very sorry that he had not listened to my warnings. He had married the "spirit of Jezebel," and his life was now a living hell. Lilly was in her mid 80s and had lost her mental faculties. Ron said that since "he took in the Devil in the boat," it was up to him to stay and take care of her until she dies. **Revelation 2:18-25** 

### MAKING THE RIGHT CHOICE

Remember, Satan and his fallen angels are limited when it comes to seducing and controlling a human soul. They can only move through the five senses but not attack the soul head-on. So when an evil spirit places an object of lust in front of you, he is able to read your mind and know what you are doing with the image projected before your soul. The soul can shield itself by refusing the signals coming in from the five senses, with eyesight being the hardest to guard, and so when you think to yourself, *"I reject this in the name of Jesus,"* that demon has lost the opportunity to gain an entry to you.

However, if you begin thinking about the object and continue to look at it, **the demon has the legal right to enter your body like a laser beam through your eyes. It will happen so quickly that you won't be able to feel or discern it.** Once the demon is on the inside of you, he will entice you to go a step further by engaging the object and bringing it to your body so that the other four senses can begin to experience what the eye has seen. James 1:13-15

#### GUARD YOUR EYES!

#### DO YOU HAVE AN EAR TO HEAR WITH?