



“My son, keep your father’s commandments, and forsake not your mother’s law. Bind them continually upon your heart and tie them to your neck. When you go, it will lead you; when you sleep it will keep you; when you awake it will talk with you. For the commandment is a lamp, and the law is a light, and reproof of instruction is the way of life. ... but who so commits adultery... is lacking understanding; he that does it destroys his own soul.” Proverbs 6:20 – 23, 32

There is a spirit of immorality loosed upon our culture. Yes, yes, it has been around since the Fall, but it appears the floodgates of such sin have opened or at least reopened. We are constantly bombarded by the subtle and not so subtle message that encourages and even champions immorality – of any and every kind!

How regrettable it is, my son, to be forced to say, “If only I had paid attention to my godly parents, my pastor... the Word of God.”

“If only” must be some of the saddest words in our language.

Such godly counsel – if you’ve taken the time to bind it to your neck – will lead you as you walk through life. It will keep you when you sleep. It will talk to you all day long. Don’t endanger your soul by shutting out such godly counsel.

Of course that inner voice sounds like Mom! Of course it sounds like Dad’s voice! Of course it sounds like your pastor’s voice! Pay attention to these voices you have learned to trust. It is the Word of God speaking to you through your conscience! In listening – you’ll save yourself from much grief – in obeying – you’ll never have to say “if only.”

Selah!

“Before the THRONE” and “Before the THRONE – The Devotional” are registered trademarks of and published by Spencers Unleashed, Inc. All rights reserved, contents may be quoted or reprinted, provided excerpts are in context.

© 2005 and © 2006 by Mark D. Spencer and Spencers Unleashed, Inc. For additional information see us at [www.spencersunleashed.com](http://www.spencersunleashed.com) or at [www.innercourt.com](http://www.innercourt.com) or at [www.feargod.com](http://www.feargod.com)