

Point of Contrast #10

## SEXUAL CONDUCT

Your sexual behavior

Girl-Gone-Wild

Impure & Dishonorable

“. . . and kisses him.”  
Proverbs 7:13

Girl-Gone-Wise

Pure & Honorable

She controls her body in holiness and honor, and does not wrong her brother in this.  
1 Thessalonians 4:4–6\*

*In the “Girls Gone Wise” book, read the tenth point of contrast between the Wild Thing and the Wise Thing (pages 135-151), and then answer the following questions:*

1. What do you think about the statement: “We don’t make as much of sex as we should. We are far too easily pleased.”?
2. How would the average person on the street answer the question, “Why did God create sex?” Jot down a list of possible answers.
3. Why did God create sex? Refer to pages 142 and 143 in the Girls Gone Wise book. In the space below, copy the quote (or quotes) that best explain why God created sex, or summarize the reason in your own words. (Continue on the back of this page, if necessary)

5. Given the biblical meaning of sex, why is it wrong for a man and woman who are not married to one another to be physically intimate?
  
6. How would a person’s desire to honor the true meaning of sex impact that person’s sexual behavior? What impact would it have on a single woman’s sexual behavior? What about on a married woman’s sexual behavior?
  
7. Paul gave the young believers in the church in Thessalonica a crash course in Sexual Conduct 101. His 5 guidelines are discussed in the Girls Gone Wise book. Based on these guidelines, give yourself a “grade” (“A” to “F”) for how well your sexual conduct meets the Bible’s standard.

GRADE (A—F)	Sexual Conduct Report Card
	I have abstained from sexual immorality in every thought, word, and deed.
	I continually aim for higher standards of purity, and to improve the way my sexuality tells the gospel story.
	I have controlled my body in holiness and honor.
	I have not sexually defrauded men. I have not inappropriately flirted with them, worn suggestive clothing, tempted them, or wronged them.
	I have not neglected the importance of my sexual conduct. My sexuality accurately reflects the gospel story.

Don’t despair if you didn’t get a very good grade. The jaw-dropping message of the gospel is that Jesus died to pay for all our mistakes. He doesn’t condemn us. He suffered and died so that we might experience His abundant grace and forgiveness, and break free from our bondage to sin. In Him, you can find the power to change. Are you willing to change? If so, take a moment to pray and confess your sexual sin to the Lord. Then find or purchase some “Wite-Out” (liquid paper) and cover up all the grades on your report card.

8. How can you more faithfully image the spectacular meaning of sex? What adjustments do you need to make in the way you think about sex and sexuality, and in your sexual conduct? Write down how the Lord has convicted you to change, and ask Him for the power to help you do so.