

Theme: This series looks at the seven root vices from which other sins grow, and identifies ways we can cut the root vices and become more like Jesus.

I. The Seven Root Vices

- A. Theme: In our struggle against sin, it is important that we learn to cut the root vices that feed sin, and to practice habits that encourage virtues that feed godly character.
- B. Text: Proverbs 5:21-23
- C. Response: Communion
- D. Benediction: Hebrews 13:20-21
- E. Teaching keywords: Lent; sin; character; sanctification; temptation; confession and repentance; fasting

II. Pride

- A. Theme: Pride is a disordered love that seeks to exalt myself above God and His will for my life, refusing to accept my God given limitations.
- B. Text: Proverbs 16:18
- C. Response: Communion
- D. Benediction: Psalm 79:9
- E. Teaching keywords: Lent; humility and pride; sin; character; sanctification; confession and repentance

III. Envy

- A. Theme: Envy is a disordered love that is dissatisfied with the lack or perceived insufficient measure of gifts and vocations given by God, and which resents another person for the presence or greater measure of those same gifts.
- B. Text: Proverbs 14:30
- C. Response: Prayer
- D. Benediction: Romans 15:13
- E. Teaching keywords: Lent; sin; character; sanctification; calling and work; contentment; gratitude and thanksgiving; love

IV. Wrath

- A. Theme: Wrath is a disordered love that desires justice to be enacted in my time, manner, and degree rather than in God's.
- B. Text: James 1:19-20
- C. Response: Communion
- D. Benediction: 2 Timothy 1:2
- E. Teaching keywords: Lent; anger; sin; character; sanctification; judgment; forgiveness; tongue and words

V. Sloth

- A. Theme: Sloth is a disordered love that does not desire God, His works, or the vocations He has given me, but finds them boring, refusing the effort to love and serve God and others.
- B. Text: Proverbs 26:13-15
- C. Response: Communion
- D. Benediction: Psalm 90:16-17
- E. Teaching keywords: Lent; calling and work; passion for Christ; sabbath and rest; sin; character; sanctification

VI. Greed

- A. Theme: Greed is a disordered love that excessively craves created goods and possessions, desiring them more than the Creator Himself.
- B. Text: Hebrews 13:5-6
- C. Response: Prayer
- D. Benediction: Genesis 12:2-3
- E. Teaching keywords: Lent; contentment; gratitude & thanksgiving; money & finances; sin; character; sanctification

VII. Gluttony

- A. Theme: Gluttony is a disordered love that excessively craves food and drink, attempting to fill spiritual hunger with material fare.
- B. Text: John 6:26-29
- C. Response: Communion
- D. Benediction: Numbers 6:24-26
- E. Teaching keywords: Lent; fasting; passion for Christ; Lord's Supper; self-control; sin; character; sanctification

VIII. Lust

- A. Theme: Lust is a disordered love that excessively craves my own sexual pleasure, desiring it more than true intimacy with God or others.
- B. Text: 1 Thessalonians 4:1-8
- C. Response: Prayer
- D. Benediction: 1 Thessalonians 5:23-24
- E. Teaching keywords: Lent; sexual sin; holiness; self-control; sin; character; sanctification