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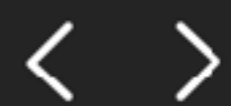


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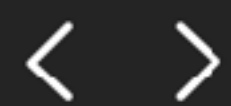


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- 23** For their **command** is a **LAMP**  
and their **instruction** a light;  
their **corrective discipline** is the **WAY TO LIFE.**
- 24** It will **keep you** from the **immoral woman**,  
from the **smooth tongue** of a **promiscuous woman.**
- 30** Excuses might be found for a thief  
who **steals** because he is starving.



- 31** But if he is caught, **he must pay back seven times** what he stole, even if he has to sell everything in his house.
- 32** But the man who **commits adultery** is an **utter fool**, for he **destroys himself**.
- 33** He will be **wounded and disgraced**.  
His **shame** will never be **erased**.



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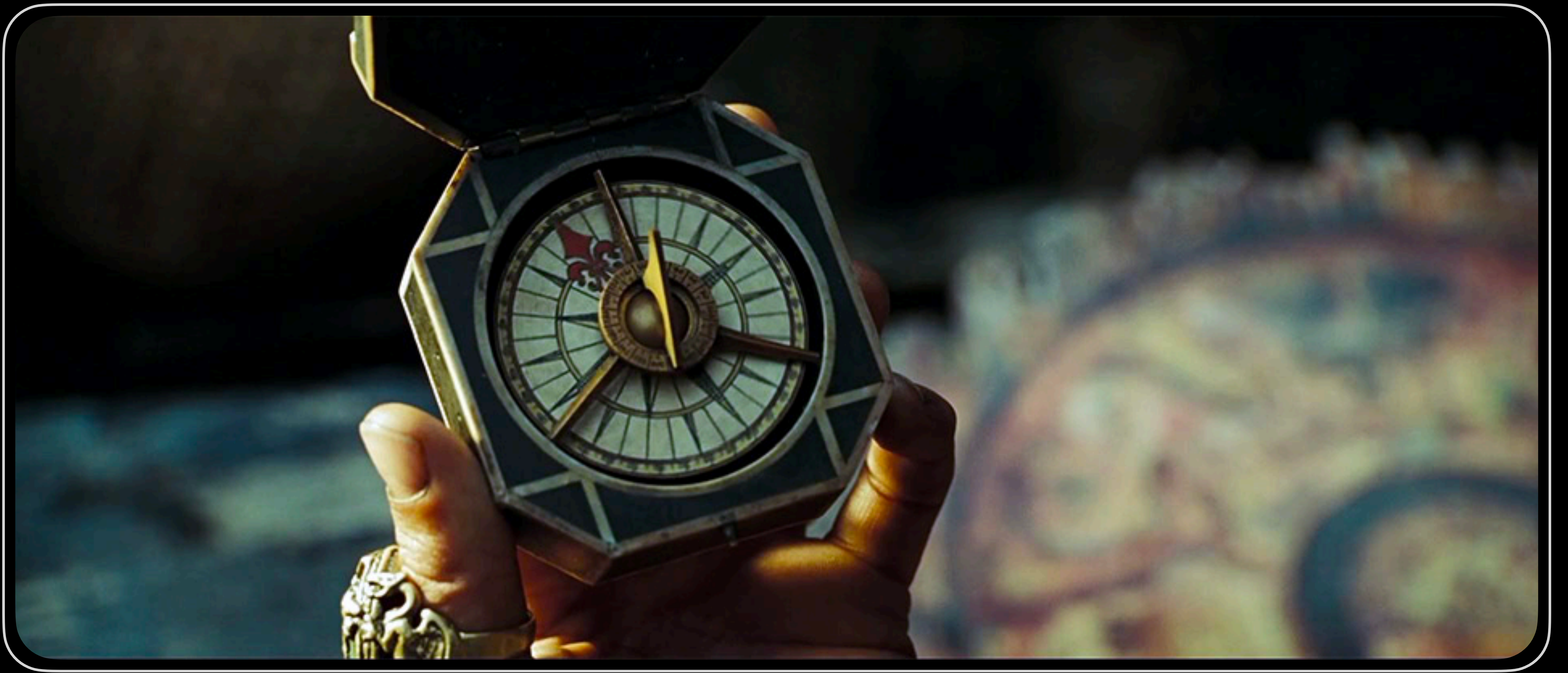
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we are all sexually disoriented







*“True enough, this compass **does not** point north.” “...Where does it point?”  
“It points to the thing you want most in this world.” ~ **Jack Sparrow***





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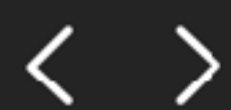
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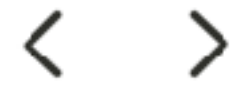


**we can't trust society**



**9** I wrote to you in my letter not to associate with sexually immoral people— **10** not at all meaning the sexually immoral of this world, or the greedy and swindlers, or idolaters, since then you would need to go out of the world. **12** For what have I to do with judging outsiders? Is it not those inside the church whom you are to judge?





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**we can't trust the historical church**





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with picnic  
tables & trail

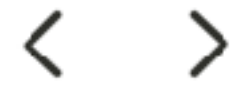
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how do we reorientate?



don't fear your desires



don't follow your desires



fulfill your desires His way



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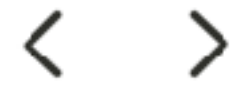
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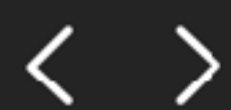


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-  how do we recalibrate our sexual compass?  
-  **accept the limitations of sexual experience**



- 27** Can a man scoop a flame into his lap  
and not have his clothes catch on fire?
- 28** Can he walk on hot coals  
and not blister his feet?








**18** Avoid sexual immorality! Every sin that a person can do is committed outside the body, except those who engage in sexual immorality commit sin against their own bodies. **19** Or don't you know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you? Don't you know that you have the Holy Spirit from God, and you don't belong to yourselves?



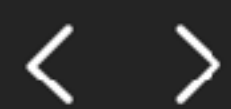
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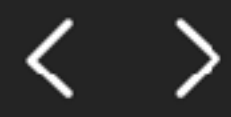
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- 24** It will **keep you** from the **immoral woman**,  
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- 25** Don't lust for her beauty.  
Don't let her **coy glances seduce you**.



- 18** Come, let us take our fill of love till morning;  
let us delight ourselves with love.
- 19** For my husband is not at home;  
he has gone on a long journey;
- 20** he took a bag of money with him;  
at full moon he will come home."









- 21**     **With much seductive speech she persuades him;**  
              with her smooth talk she compels him.
- 22**     All at once he follows her,  
              as an ox goes to the **slaughter,**  
              or as a stag is caught fast



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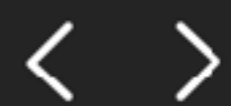
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-  **revel in appropriate sexual experience**





- 15**     **Drink water** from your **OWN CISTERN**,  
          flowing water from **YOUR OWN WELL.**
- 16**     Should your springs be scattered abroad,  
          streams of water in the streets?
- 17**     **Let them be for yourself alone,**  
          **and not for strangers with you.**










- 18** Let your fountain be **BLESSED**,  
and **REJOICE** in the wife of your youth,  
**19** a lovely deer, a graceful doe.  
Let her **breasts fill you at all times with DELIGHT;**  
be **INTOXICATED** always in her love.
- 20** **Why** should you be intoxicated, my son,  
with a forbidden woman  
and **embrace the bosom of an adulteress?**

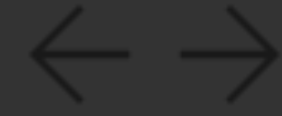


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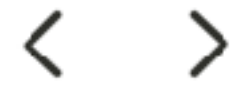
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“Others of us hope that unending affection and affirmation from a beautiful, brilliant romantic partner will finally make us feel good about ourselves. That turns the relationship into a form of salvation, and no relationship can live up to that.”













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