#### **"WINNING THE PURITY WAR":** The Mandate for a Revival of Sexual Purity

The Weeping Prophet, Jeremiah, indicted the people of his day with the stinging words, "The land is full of adulterers" (Jer. 23:10). So it is today. The new morality is really just the old immorality with a new name. Yet, the mandate of Scripture is clear and God's specific instructions have never been more needed.

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### I. THREE REASONS FOR SEXUAL PURITY (1 Thessalonians 4:6-8)

#### II. Reason #1 God Avenges Immorality

"... because the Lord is the avenger in all these things, just as we told you before and solemnly warned you" (1 Thess. 4:6b).

## III. Reason #2 God Calls Believers to be Pure

"For God has not called us for the purpose of impurity, but in sanctification" (1 Thess. 4:7).

# IV. Reason #3 God Himself is Holy and Empowers Us to be Holy

"Consequently he who rejects this is not rejecting man, but the God, who gives His Holy Spirit to you" (1 Thess. 4:8).