

Part 7

The Lizard and the Stallion

Matthew 5:29

If your right eye causes you to sin, gouge it out and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to be thrown into hell.

Colossians 3:5-8

5 Put to death, therefore, whatever belongs to your earthly nature: sexual immorality, impurity, lust, evil desires and greed, which is idolatry. 6 Because of these, the wrath of God is coming. 7 You used to walk in these ways, in the life you once lived. 8 But now you must rid yourselves of all such things as these: anger, rage, malice, slander, and filthy language from your lips.

Message notes:

Nothing kills love in a relationship more than _____ will.

You can't _____ lust to get over it. It has to die.

God wants to _____ the lizard.

Give the Lord _____ to take the lust out of you.

God wants to set you free, but you have to be willing to _____.

God wants to take where your passions have been perverted and _____ them.

You have to be _____.

_____ is always the path to victory.



"I never said it wouldn't hurt you. I said it wouldn't kill you." Page 109

"I cannot kill it against your will. It is impossible. Have I your permission?" Page 109

"Lust is a poor, weak, whimpering, whispering thing compared with that richness and energy of desire which will arise when lust has been killed." Page 114

Discussion Questions:

Why is lust so dangerous? Why can't it just be managed instead of killed?

How has lust affected the way that you live?

Why does finding freedom from lust require that we begin to die? How does humility here help to lead to victory?

Have you given the Lord permission to take the lust out of you? What steps did you take to help kill the lizard?

What happens in your relationships as you begin to find healing away from lustfulness?

Can we help to hold you accountable from this lizard of lust? What practical ways could we do that in your life?

Ministry Time Questions:

Is anyone struggling with addictions to lust that they would like to break free from?

Does anyone need to confess sins to their spouse? Could we pray for grace and wisdom over you?

Before next week, read through chapter 14 in The Great Divorce.