

AA13. Fleeing from Sin & Evil.

We are to flee from sin and evil.

AA13a: *We are to flee from sin.*

AA13b: *We are to flee from evil.*

This precept is derived from His Word (blessed is He):

Key New Testament Scriptures

Romans 12:9

Don't let love be a mere outward show. Recoil from what is evil, and cling to what is good.

Ephesians 5:11

Have nothing to do with the deeds produced by darkness, but instead expose them,

1 Thessalonians 5:22

.. but keep away from every form of evil.

1 Timothy 6:10-11

For the love of money is a root of all the evils; because of this craving, some people have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves to the heart with many pains. But you, as a man of God, flee from these things; and pursue righteousness, godliness, faithfulness, love, steadfastness, gentleness.

2 Timothy 2:22 (NIV)

Flee the evil desires of youth, and pursue righteousness, faith, love and peace, along with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart.

James 1:21

So rid yourselves of all vulgarity and obvious evil, and receive meekly the Word implanted in you that can save your lives.

1 Peter 3:11

.. turn from evil and do good, seek peace and chase after it.

Additional New Testament Scriptures

Acts 3:26, 13:9-10

Romans 1:29, 2:8-9, 6:12-13, 12:21, 13:3-4, 12, 16:19

1 Corinthians 5:6-8, 10:6

Philippians 3:2

Colossians 3:5

2 Thessalonians 2:9-12

1 Timothy 1:9

Titus 3:3

Hebrews 3:12, 10:26, 12:1, 4

James 4:7

1 Peter 1:14

Jude 1:11, 18

Revelation 2:2, 22:11

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DA74 Not Associating with a Brother who is committing immoral sin

GA06 Not Practicing Sin

GA09 Not Continuing to Sin

GB26 Being Like Children in Regard to Evil

Supportive Tanakh Scriptures

Genesis 39:11-12

However, one day, when he went into the house to do his work, and none of the men living in the house was there indoors, she grabbed him by his robe and said, "Sleep with me!" But he fled, leaving his robe in her hand, and got himself outside.

Comment

Even after being reborn in our spirit, we are vulnerable to Satanic temptations. If we see them coming, we need to flee. If they should find us, we know to deal with them through the power of the Holy Spirit, but we should not put our spiritual strength to the test by intentionally being where evil is rampant, and temptations abound.

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