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Immodesty leads to immorality. **1Thes 4:6A** states "That no man go beyond and defraud his brother in any matter." **No man or woman** to defraud his brother or sister in any matter. Whether you are a follower of Jesus Christ or not this scripture is plain enough to understand. Go beyond means: to overstep. Defraud means: to take advantage of. Defrauding a brother or sister, taking advantage of them by leading them to lust after our body, **this is SIN!**

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If you are not a follower of Jesus Christ please read the following scriptures to know how you can be a child of God and obtain eternal life through Jesus Christ, and become modest in all you do.

1 John 5:13

Romans 3:10, 3:23, 5:12, 6:23, 10:9-13

Bow now to your knees and pray to God. Acknowledge that you are a sinner and ask Him to forgive you of all your sins. Tell Him you need Him and acknowledge His death on the cross and how His shed blood has cleansed you from all sin. Ask Him to come into your heart and save you **NOW!**

John 2:15 – "Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world the love of the Father in not in him."

Titus 2:12 – "Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world."

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