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Predicament:

What do you do if you are at a party and...

a. Someone from the opposite sex puts pressure on you to do things sexually? b. Someone puts pressure on you to drink alcohol?

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PREDICAMENT!

What do you do if you are at a party and...

- a. Someone from the opposite sex puts pressure on you to do things sexually? Introductory thought: following Jesus requires obedience and the effort to say "no".
- **1 Corinthians 6:18** Flee from sexual immorality. All other sins a man commits are outside his body, but he who sins sexually sins against his own body.
- 1 Thessalonians 4:3-7 It is God's will that you should be sanctified: that you should avoid sexual immorality; 4 that each of you should learn to control his own body in a way that is holy and honourable, 5 not in passionate lust like the heathen, who do not know God; 6 and that in this matter no one should wrong his brother or take advantage of him. The Lord will punish men for all such sins, as we have already told you and warned you. 7 For God did not call us to be impure, but to live a holy life.
- **1 Timothy 5:1** Do not rebuke an older man harshly, but exhort him as if he were your father. Treat younger men as brothers, 2 older women as mothers, and younger women as sisters, with absolute purity.
- 1 Corinthians 10:12 So, if you think you are standing firm, be careful that you don't fall! 13 No temptation has seized you except what is common to man. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can stand up under it.
- **Titus 2:11-14** For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men. 12 It teaches us to say "No" to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age, 13 while we wait for the blessed hope the glorious appearing of our great God and Saviour, Jesus Christ, 14 who gave himself for us to redeem us from all wickedness and to purify for himself a people that are his very own, eager to do what is good.

b. Someone puts pressure on you to drink alcohol?

Ephesians 5:18 Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery. Instead, be filled with the Spirit.

Proverbs 20:1 Wine is a mocker and beer a brawler; whoever is led astray by them is not wise.

- 1 Corinthians 6:10 nor thieves nor the greedy nor *drunkards* nor slanderers nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God.
- **Galatians 5:19** The acts of the sinful nature are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery; 20 idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions 21 and envy; *drunkenness*, orgies, and the like. I warn you, as I did before, that those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God.
- **Titus 1:7** Since an overseer is entrusted with God's work, he must be blameless not overbearing, not quick-tempered, *not given to drunkenness*, not violent, not pursuing dishonest gain.

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