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Home

But not home alone



Our HOMEALONE world





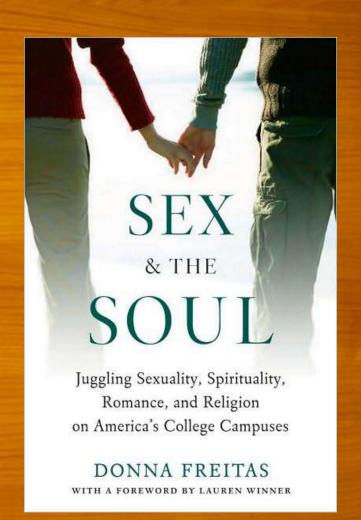
What Happens In What Happens In



A hard question

"How do your spirituality and your sexuality interact?"





A hard question

"How do your spirituality and your spending interact?"





A hard question

"How do God and your private life interact?"





A "Home Alone" couple

Acts 5: 1-11



Now a man named Ananias, together with his wife Sapphira, also sold a piece of property. With his wife's full knowledge he kept back part of the money for himself, but brought the rest and put it at the apostles' feet.



-Acts 5: 1-2













We're not HOME ALONE



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-MT 5: 20



We're not HOME ALONE

The Pharisees, who loved money, heard all this and were sneering at Jesus. He said to them, "You are the ones who justify yourselves in the eyes of men, but <u>God knows your hearts."</u>

-LK 16: 14-15



PHARISEE

- RESPECTABILITY
- Inconsistency between public and private behavior
- Do right when watched



DISCIPLE

- INTEGRITY
- Consistent publicly and privately

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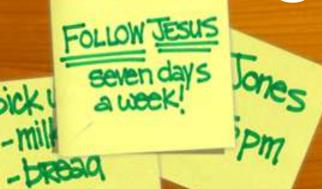
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[Jesus said:] "If you love me, you will obey what I command. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counselor to be with you forever—the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him or knows him. But you know him, because he lives with you and will be in you."

-JN 14: 15-17



Someone else is trying to get into our homes





Then Peter said, "Ananias, how is it that Satan has so filled your heart that you have lied to the Holy Spirit and have kept for yourself some of the money you received for the land?



"Didn't it belong to you before it was sold? And after it was sold, wasn't the money at your disposal? What made you think of doing such a thing? You have not lied to men, but to God."



When Ananias heard this, he fell down and died.

-Acts 5: 1-5



Your home is under seige

Be self-controlled and alert. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. Resist him, standing firm in the faith...



-I PET 5: 8-9



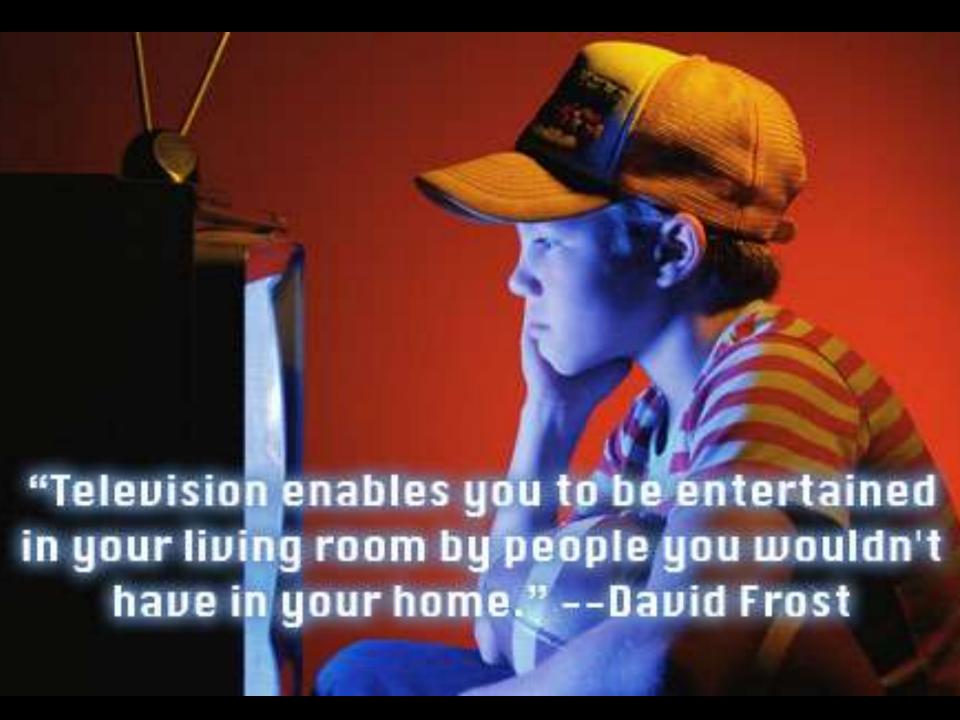












We shouldn't be "Home Alone"



Peter said to her, "How could you agree to test the Spirit of the Lord? The feet of the men who buried your husband are at the door, and they will carry you out also."

At that moment she fell down at his feet and died.



-Acts 5: 9-10



Let us spur one another on toward love and good deeds.





Then the LORD said, "I have chosen Abraham, so that he will direct his children and his household after him to keep the way of the LORD by doing what is right and just, so that the LORD will bring about for Abraham what he has promised him."



-GEN 18: 19

He must manage (*lit.*, stand before) his own family well and see that his children obey him with proper respect. (If anyone does not know how to manage his family, how can he take care of God's church?)



-I TIM 3: 4-5



Discouraging the peer culture







Fighting materialism







Confess your sins to each other and pray for each other...





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We know that anyone born of God does not continue to sin; the one who was born of God keeps him safe, and the evil one does not harm him. We know that we are children of God, and that the whole world is under the control of the evil one....[But] we are in him who is true—even in his Son Jesus Christ.

-I JN 5: 18-20



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