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In Trust With The Gospel

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I Will Still Respect You

[2Sa 13:15 KJV] 15 Then Amnon hated her exceedingly; so that the hatred wherewith he hated her [was] greater than the love wherewith he had loved her. And Amnon said unto her, Arise, be gone.

Amnon thought he loved his half sister, when in fact he was lusting after her. There is a difference. I pray God give you wisdom to understand.

Now Tamar (who also had a coat of many colours as all the virgin daughters of the king did) was forced by Amnon. It was a very grievous sin. Once he got what he wanted, he hated her. And that hatred exceeded the love (he thought) he had for her.

Many young boys have been known to say or do almost anything to satisfy their lust for a young woman. And the saying is true in many cases that the boy will not respect you after ward. Afterwards Tamar was hated, shamed, and cast out. Amnon later lost his life because of his action.

The moral of the lesson is that your virtue and purity is worth preserving for your future husband or wife. No exceptions.

And the young virgins are to be careful not to place themselves in a position as Tamar did. Alone with a lusting man in his bed chamber.

This lesson seems to have been lost in our culture. May God help the youth of this nation to regain.

And for those of you who have fought to maintain your virtuous status for the marriage bed, I say God bless you for doing so.

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