Now What?

Surrendering

Now all glory to God, who is able to keep you from falling away and will bring you with great joy into his glorious presence without a single fault.

(Jude 1:24, New Living Translation)

Finally, dear brothers and sisters, we urge you in the name of the Lord Jesus to live in a way that pleases God, as we have taught you. You live this way already, and we encourage you to do so even more.

(1 Thessalonians 4:1, NLT)

God's will is for you to be holy. . . . so stay away from all sexual sin. (1 Thessalonians 4:3, NLT)

Our purpose statement at BCF: "We exist to invite those who don't usually go to church, and to help them become fully-transformed followers of Christ."

WHY SHOULD I SURRENDER MY SEXUAL DESIRES TO GOD?

1. God wants to give you a life of <u>purpose</u> and honor.

Then each of you will control his own body and live in holiness and honor. (1 Thessalonians 4:4, NLT)

God made them male and female 'from the beginning of creation. This explains why a man leaves his father and mother and is joined to his wife, and the two are united into one.

(Mark 10:6–8, NLT)

2. God can set you free from out of control desires.

[Do] not [live] in lustful passion like the pagans who do not know God and his ways. (1 Thessalonians 4:5, NLT)

3. God wants to protect you from the consequences of sin.

Never harm or cheat a fellow believer in this matter for the Lord avenges all such sins, as we have solemnly warned you before. (1 Thessalonians 4:6, NLT)

God has called us to live holy lives, not impure lives.
Therefore, anyone who refuses to live by these rules is not disobeying human teaching but is rejecting God, who gives his Holy Spirit to you. (1 Thessalonians 4:7–8, NLT)