

Modesty Matters

**1. Modesty Matters in your Appearance ([attire](#))**

- A. Your adornment should emphasize the [internal](#), not the external.
- B. Don't adorn yourself to draw attention to yourself.
- C. Dress to [conceal](#), not to reveal.
- D. Dress to [cover](#), not to compete.
- E. Do not dress to impress. (James 2:1-4)

**2. Modesty Matters in your Attitudes ([demeanor](#))**

- A. 2:9a calls for modesty and discretion...  
...so don't be proud and don't dress proud.
- B. The term here translated discreetly means self-control, especially over sensual desires...  
...so don't be sexy and don't dress sexy.

**3. Modesty Matters in your Actions ([behavior](#))**

- A. Godliness means *reverence for God displayed in everyday life*.
- B. We who claim to know God should dress like it, think and act like it.
  - Jesus lived humility that put others ahead of Himself. (Phil. 2:3-8)
  - Jesus is Lord of our attire, our attitude and our actions. (Matt. 5:14-16)

Message

Carry yourself like the Christ-follower you are.

So What? Now What? Action Points:

- Start somewhere.
- Start with your appearance. Dress to conceal, not to reveal.  
Don't dress to impress.
- Start with your attitude. Remove pride and sexiness far from you.
- Start with your actions. Do good to others. Do good for others.  
Do so to present Jesus to others in a positive light.  
Make God look good by the way you carry yourself and treat people.

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