Basic Bible Truths

God's Purpose and Design For Sex

What we will go over in this lesson

- The Fall of Man
- Becoming one flesh
- Where do we get our ideas of sex & relationships?
- Why is this so important?
- Jesus teachings on sex
- The Apostle Paul's teaching on sex

He has made from one blood every nation of men to dwell on the earth Acts 17:26

The Fall

- Jesus believed they really existed (Matthew 19:4)
- Being descended from Adam & Eve means that we have a fallen nature, a sinful bent or default. (All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God Romans 3:23)

Being the offspring of Adam, we too are tainted by sin. It is our earthly nature to sin. Sex too has become distorted. What our "natural" desires and thoughts are about sex are not what God's intentions are.

Sex was the first command for Adam & Eve (Adam means mankind & Eve means life)

TRUE or FALSE?

Sex is not the problem lust is!

Scripture to examine - Genesis 1:28

Two becoming ONE

When God created man and woman he made them in the image of God.

Genesis 1:27 "So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.

Check this out!

The image of God is seen in the two becoming one! How?

Because sex was designed to glorify (Shine) God? How?

With an understanding that God is a <u>compound unity</u> (3 in one)

- Man & Woman & Child (3 in one)
 - When a man enters a woman there is a potential for a child.

Scriptures to examine-

Duet 6:4

Genesis 2:24

Matthew 28:19

Malachi 2:15



Our issue!

LUSt has as its focus pleasing oneself, and it often leads to actions to fulfill one's desires with no regard to the consequences. Lust is about possession and greed. The Christian faith is about selflessness and is marked by holy (set apart) living (Romans 6:19, 12:1-2; 1 Corinthians 1:2, 30, 6:19-20; Ephesians 1:4, 4:24; Colossians 3:12; 1 Thessalonians 4:3-8, 5:23; 2 Timothy 1:9; Hebrews 12:14; 1 Peter 1:15-16)

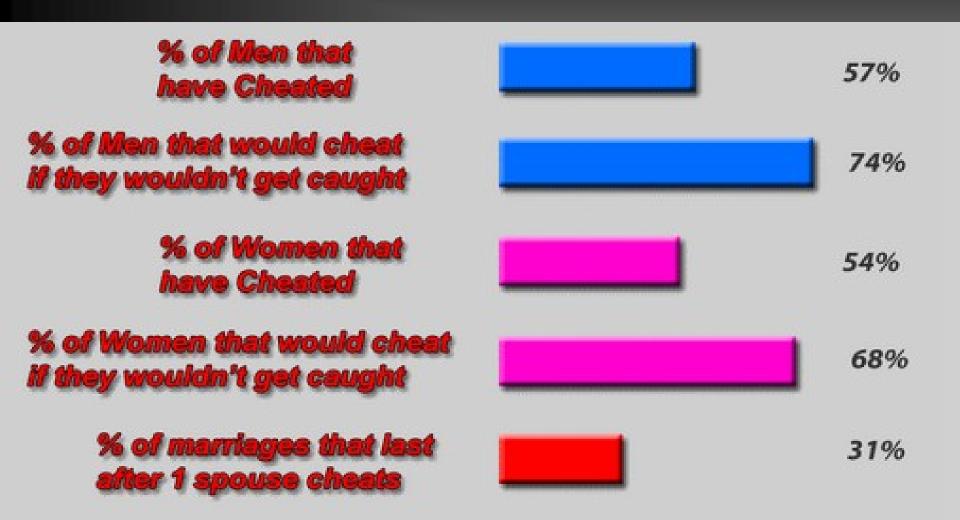
Where do we get our ideas on sex & relationships?

Most of our ideas of sex come from our entertainment culture or pornography What does porn normalize?

The concept of what love is, is sadly absent from our sex education.

God is left our of sex discussions leaving us to follow our hearts (See Jeremiah 17:9, Eccl 9:3)

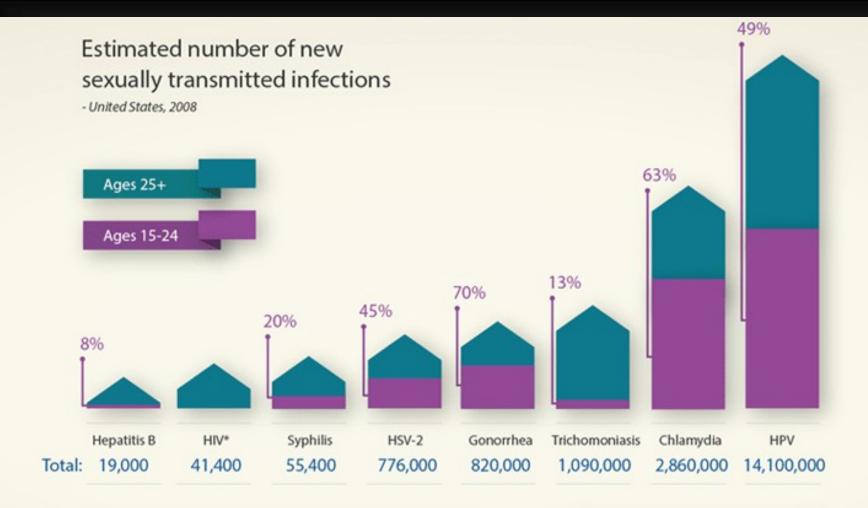
Why is this so important?



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Number of Sexual Partners	SEXUAL EXPOSURE CHART (if every person has only the same number of partners as you)	Number of People Exposed to
1	Ť	1
2	ŤŤŤ	3
3	ŤŤŤŤŤ	7
4	††††††††††††	15
5	†÷††÷†÷††††††††††††††††††††	31
6	***************************************	63
7	**************************************	127
8		255
9		511
10		1023



Young people (15-24) represent 50% of all new STIs

TOTAL: 19,738,800

*HIV incidence not calculated by age in this analysis

Bars are for illustration only; not to scale, due to wide range in numbers of infections

Did Jesus teach on sex?

- A. Jesus taught that the Old Testament commandments were good. Matthew 5:18, Luke 18:20
- B. Jesus teaches the issues of our heart is where adulteries and fornication's come from. Mark 7:21
- C. Jesus uses sexual immorality in Matthew 19:9
- **D.** Jesus says lust is the root of adultery Matthew 5:28

What is sexual Immorality?

Sexual Immorality to the Jew - See Leviticus 18

- Sexual Immorality in the New Testament = Porneia in Greek.
- From the Greek we get our English pornography, stemming from the concept of "selling off."
- Sexual immorality is a selling off of sexual purity and involves any type of sexual expression outside of the boundaries of biblically defined marriage relationship.

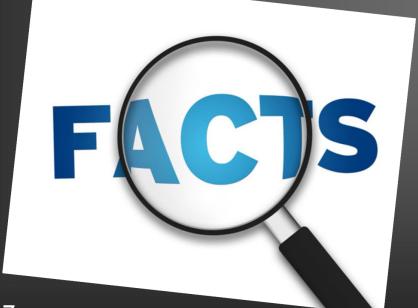
The Apostle of Jesus, Paul 1st Corinthians Chapter 6:12-20

- Our body is for who? Our sexual identity based on what God says, not what I say. Do you agree?
- B. Have you been under the power of lust? Lust is concerned with who's desires?
- c. The Christian's body is members of who? As a member of Jesus (the church) how would we approach sex?
- **D.** Sexual Immorality is a sin against what & who?
- E. Who dwells in the Christian? How does Jesus in you relate to marriage?

"If any of you wants to be my follower, you must turn from your selfish ways, take up your cross daily, and follow me. Luke 9:23

Sex is also a picture of Jesus being one spirit with us?

TRUE or FALSE?



1st Corinthians 6:17

John 17:23 (He in us) compare with Genesis 29:21

Galatians 4:9 (he knows us) compare with Genesis 4:1