

Welcome Parents!



Top 10 Child Health Concerns in 2016



Among Black Adults

1	Bullying	71%
2	Racial Inequities	61%
3	School Violence	61%
4	Drug Abuse	59%
5	Internet Safety	59%
6	Obesity	58%
7	Gun Injuries	56%
8	Sexting	54%
9	Depression	52%
10	Hunger	50%



Among Hispanic Adults

1	Bullying	66%
2	Obesity	62%
3	Drug Abuse	61%
4	Internet Safety	59%
5	Stress	57%
6	Abuse & Neglect	57%
7	School Violence	55%
8	Sexting	54%
9	Teen Pregnancy	54%
10	Depression	53%



Among White Adults

1	Obesity	55%
2	Bullying	52%
3	Drug Abuse	47%
4	Internet Safety	44%
5	Stress	42%
6	Abuse & Neglect	41%
7	Sexting	38%
8	Suicide	36%
9	Smoking	36%
10	Depression	36%

UNDERSTANDING THE PRODUCING OF PORN TODAY

WHY DISCUSS THIS TOPIC?



KEYS TO THE KINGDOM

What used to be a predominately male dominated business, today is shaped and influenced by women. But not only women...Youth have also been given the opportunity

THE OLD AND THE NEW GUARDS

20TH CENTURY

- Hugh Hephner
- Etc...

21ST CENTURY

- Jakie St. James
- Anna Span
- Erika Lust
- Angie Powntree
- Stormy Daniels
- YOUR KID

YOUTH

The production of pornography is not exclusively produced by adults today!

SEXTING



- The percent of teenagers who have sent or posted nude or semi-nude pictures or video of themselves:
- **20% of teenagers overall**
- **22% of teen girls**
- **18% of teen boys**
- **11% of young teen girls ages 13-16**
- **<http://thenationalcampaign.org/resource/sex-and-tech>**

MIRROR IMAGE

The bottom line is that pornography is not out there somewhere in the outskirts of the world, but it is within all of us. Pornography is a mirror image of what we as humans produce in our minds. It is an expression of our sexuality in totality. And because of this, some pornography is more harmful than others.

Our discussions need to be free of finger pointing per say. This will only happen if we understand and agree to what pornography is and what it is not.



DISCUSSING PORNOGRAPHY



DESTROY THE MYTH

- Things were better in the old days!
- Patriarchy was out of control
- Women as property
- Children as property
- Women as concubines
- Men having harems, prostitutes, & polygamy
- No orgasm rights for women
- No marital rights
- No governmental rights

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TODAY

- Women's right to relation freedom (polyandry etc...)
- Egalitarian and Complimentary views
- Children labor laws and personal rights
- Sex trafficking laws
- Laws against polygamy
- V.S.M. produced and geared for women's pleasure - The sex toy industry

The reason there is so much pornography today as opposed to 50 years ago is to a number of technological and social changes. The two big ones...women's social liberty and video technology.

Women rights have given women the ability to be a 'player' in the market of sexual ideas and entertainment on a large scale. Also is the freedom to express their sexuality via sex toys etc...

Video technology has made anyone with a cell phone a potential, independent film producer.

The internet is a tool for distribution only. You can blame it all you want, but it is no different than your TV. Your TV does not pick the shows for you, it simply makes the films available. It is the same with the internet. Everything that a human can conceive in the mind can be filmed and distributed to those who happen to have the ability to select it.

It's your decision



MYTH

The country would be better if there was no pornography in it?

Iran
Saudi Arabia
China
Ethiopia
North Korea

How many of you would want to live in...



Myth
Scare them straight!

DEMONIZING PORN

Scared straight?

Most studies show that not only do the scared straight programs **not work**; they are actually more likely to create or increase criminal behavior in the youth that were the most at risk. www.swprn.com/scared-straight/

THE RESULTS OF BEING SCARED STRAIGHT

- Students go right back to what they moved away from
- Think adults are stupid for thinking porn is 'evil.' Students today are more concerned for global warming and gun laws then pornography laws.
- Start to trust in other people who are willing to discuss sexual topics with them online. (Youtube)
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SO WHY DOES THE CHRISTIAN CULTURE CONTINUE TO USE THE SCARED STRAIGHT TACTIC?

- Fear of personal failure
- Desire for control
- A genuine mis-understanding of Biblical teachings on sex, love, grace, repentance etc...
- Pride
- It sells (Christian Porn “addiction” ministries sell there products to guilt ridden people)
- Gains an audience
- It is easy to point fingers and demonize sexuality and sexual sin.



Sex – body parts, how things work, your brain to your feet...
Sexuality – How they see their sexual identity, their masculinity or femininity?
Sensuality – How are they promoting their sexuality to others?

The intricacies of the Trinity

His identity; masculinity and femininity

God's promotion of himself as good, pleasurable, delightful, happy, a treasure

DIALOG...NOT MONOLOG

Can you talk about sex, sexuality and sensuality? Why not?





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Porn by the Numbers

- 1 in 5 searches are for porn.
- 9 out of 10 Internet porn users only access the free material.
- Yet, Internet porn is a \$3 billion a year business...and growing
- By 2015, mobile adult content and services will reach \$2.8 billion per year.

Learn more at www.covenanteyes.com/pornstats

Porn by the Numbers

- 90% of boys and 70% of girls, ages 13 to 14, report accessing porn at least once the previous year, and 35% of boys reported viewing porn too many times to count.
- 71% of teens hide online behavior from their parents.
- 83% of boys and 57% of girls have seen group sex online.
- 69% of boys and 55% of girls have seen same-sex intercourse online.
- 39% of boys and 23% of girls have seen sexual bondage online.
- 32% of boys and 18% of girls have seen bestiality online.
- 15% of boys and 9% of girls have seen child pornography online.

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How will you react?

Anger

Panic

Distressed

Abusive

Love

Patience

Gentleness

Wisdom

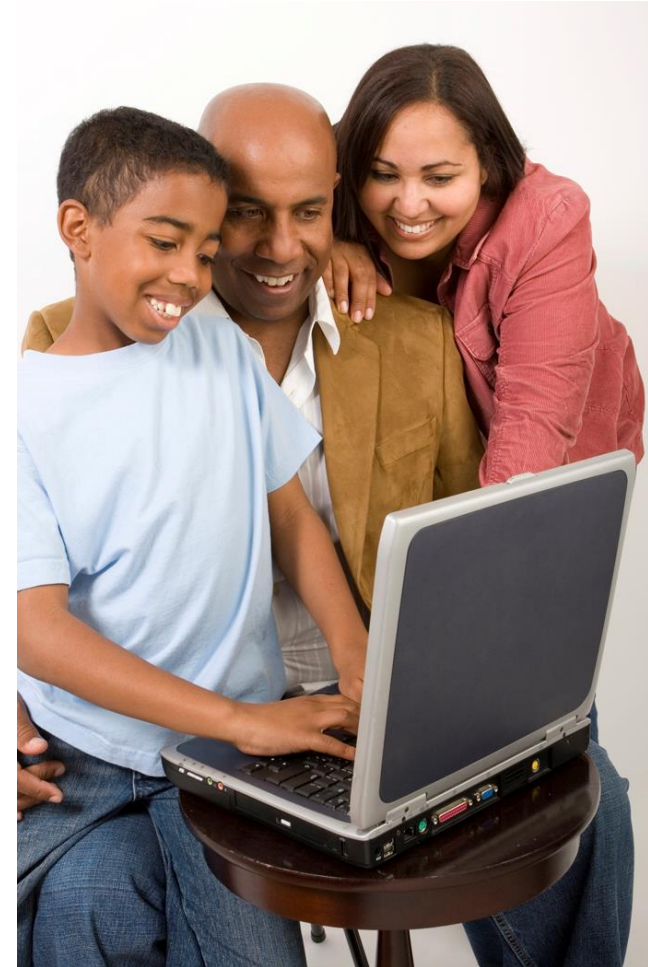
Self-Control

Galatians 5:22-23



What we will talk about today

- Why having a discussion with your kids about porn is important.
- How to prepare well for this discussion.
- A four-step approach to the conversation.
- What to do after the discussion, and FAQs.



Why we talk about it

- Cable/Satellite TV has made sexual content available in nearly every home—and to any age.
- Half of adult men and a third of adult women today were exposed to pornography before their teen years.
- It's only gotten worse.
- Not just boys. Girls too.



Living in a Porn Culture

- Porn has become mainstream.
- Porn stars are becoming cross-over celebrities.
- And it's not just boys. Girls too.



“When we deny children access to meaningful education about their burgeoning sexual development, we give them no choice but to glean what they can from a highly sexualized media.

- **Sharna Olfman**
professor of psychology at
Point Park University

Living in a Porn Culture

- Hardcore is the norm.
- Brutality and degradation are common.
- 88% of porn film scenes contain acts of physical aggression.
- 49% of scenes contain verbal aggression.
- “Straight to the sex” films dominate the Internet.
- These “straight to the sex” videos communicate that all women want sex from all men. Women like all demands, and if she doesn’t, she can be turned on with a little force or abuse.

XXX

The Impact of Porn

Results of a study by the universities of Indiana and Alabama

When people view porn they...

- Have less sexual satisfaction with partner
- Have a greater attraction to casual sex, premarital sex, and adultery
- Are more likely to trivialize sex crimes, such as rape.
- Are more likely to stereotype women as sex fiends.
- Are more likely to watch harder and harder forms of pornography.



The Impact of Porn on Kids

When kids view porn...

- More likely to have sexual intercourse earlier.
- Believe that the best sexual satisfaction is attainable without having affection for one's partner.
- Believe that being married or having a family are unattractive prospects.
- Are at increased risk for developing sexual compulsions and addictive behavior.

Stages of Porn Involvement

Stage 1: Experimentation and Curiosity

Stage 2: Regular Use for Masturbation

Stage 3: Risky Use

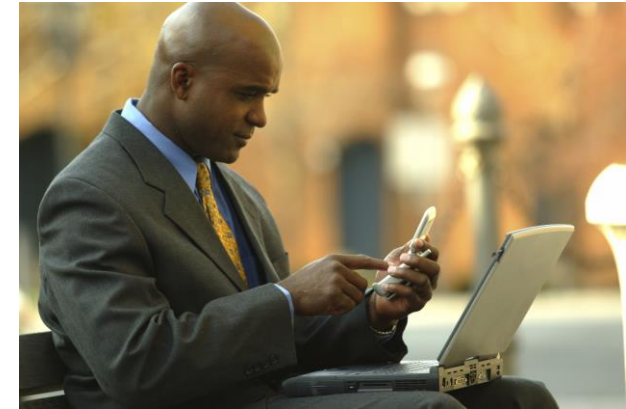
Stage 4: Dependence and Addiction



Preparing for the Discussion

1. Do Your Homework

- Check browsing histories on family devices.
- Private Browsing or Incognito Mode.
- Use a browser's "autofill" feature to get hints of past searches.
- Covenant Eyes provides un-erasable reports.
- The goal is not to say "Gotcha!"



Preparing for the Discussion

2. Talk it Through

- Discuss it with your spouse.
- Talk with trusted mentors or pastors.
- As you listen, rehearse the thoughts going through your mind out loud and get feedback.
- **If you find yourself bewildered why your child would look at porn, find someone who can relate to this area of temptation. (Peter or Beau)**

Preparing for the Discussion

3. Pray About It

- Ask God to give you a redemptive attitude toward the situation.
- If your gut instinct is fear, ask God to take away your timidity.
- If you feel parental shame or failure, ask God to instill trust that his grace can cover any of your mistakes or sins as a parent.
- If you are angry, ask God to fill you with a deep sense of compassion for your child.

Preparing for the Discussion

4. Brace Yourself for More Than One Conversation

- The end goal is not one conversation.
- The goal is to communicate safety and acceptance.
- The goal is an ongoing discussion, future conversations.
- There is a lot to cover, stretch it out over several conversations.

Preparing for the Discussion

5. Tone Is Everything

- What you say is important.
- How you say will be critical.
- A child or teenager being confronted has feelings of fear, shame, uncertainty, guilt.
- Don't come to the conversation with sharp criticism or an overbearing sense of fear, bewilderment, or shame.



Talking About It

Step 1: Open the Dialogue

- Don't surprise your child or teen, set a time and date to talk.
- Start with what you know.
- Ask if your observations are correct.
- Give him or her time to respond.
- Don't feel the pressure to make them say anything specific. This step is just about getting them to open up.



Talking About It

Step 1: Open the Dialogue

- What if they deny it
 - Don't lose site of the bigger goals of teaching lessons about sexuality.
 - Keep the doors open for future discussions.
 - Don't become easily angered if you believe they are lying to you.
 - Minimizing or denying sin isn't just a teen response—it's a human response.
 - Don't call him or her a liar. Don't feel the need to press for a confession.
 - Model vulnerability: "I want to ask you about this because I know how tempting this stuff can be. When I was a child/teen..."
- Help them see you are a safe person in whom to confide.
- Listen. Really listen.

Talking About It

Step 2: Own Up to Your Own Failures

- Most parents are caught off guard. (But why are we?)
- It is your responsibility to prepare your kids for issues you can anticipate. (Porn is everywhere...)
- I'm sorry. I should have talked to you about pornography before today.
- An apology will help to set the tone for the rest of the conversation. You want to show yourself in a supportive role. (Humility)

Talking About It

Step 3: Discover the Extent of the Problem

- Has puberty begun?
- Has sexual attraction begun?
- Curious or “using”?
 - “How many times do you think you’ve looked for these kinds of pictures or videos online?”
 - “Would you say you’ve been looking at this stuff for the last month or longer than that?”
 - “How many times have you seen it in the last week or two?”
- Other sexual experiences?
 - “Have you ever done anything in real life—like what you’ve seen in these pictures or videos?”
 - By choice? Coercion? Forced?

Talking About It

Step 4: Talk About Why Sex is Good and Porn is Bad

For the Curious Pre-Pubescent Child

1. Pull: The human body is attractive and interesting. (Even God talks about this...Ezk 16)
2. Privacy: Nakedness is meant to be a private thing. (Lev 18)
3. Parents: My job is to help you understand how God made us. (Deuteronomy 6:7)

Talking About It

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For the Pre-Teen or Teen Engaging in Sexual Fantasy

1. Pleasure: Sexual arousal feels good, and it should.
2. Purpose: You're becoming a man/woman, and that's good.
3. Passion: Burning passion is right, but not right now.
4. Porn: Sex on screen only (can) cheapen(s) the goodness of sex. (This can seem fictitious). Pleasure is pleasures!
Porn is bad, because it is not what was intended for our sexuality. When we use the word goodness, we need to help our kids understand where we get the idea of goodness.)

Communicate God's Goodness

God is rich in kindness, forbearance, and patience.

“His kindness is intended to turn you from your sin,” (Romans 2:4).

“And now, Israel, what does the Lord your God require of you? He requires only that you fear the Lord your God, and live in a way that pleases him, and love him and serve him with all your heart and soul. And you must always obey the Lord's commands and decrees that I am giving you today *for your own good*,” (Deuteronomy 10:12-13).

Life Beyond the Discussion

Taking Steps to Create a New Normal

1. Create a Culture of Accountability at Home.

2. Set Technology Boundaries.

- Anonymity creates an open door for temptation.
- Set household rules.
- Usernames and passwords are given to mom and dad.
- Accountability and Filtering software
- Set boundaries with your kids. Involve them in the conversation.

Questions?



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