

CALL to PRAYER – Pray for sexual purity in our churches...among leaders and laity

Exodus 20:14 - The Sexual Constitution

Intro – Laws 1-4 look Godward. #5 Human *Authority*, #6 Human *Dignity*, #7 Human *Sexuality*. The Bible is a pure book, but it is not a prude book. It addresses human sexuality plainly. Rule #7 is *The Sexual Constitution*. This holy law has always produced a Sexual Revolution/rebellion. *The 2nd Table* is about how to love.... We love our neighbor by not committing adultery with our neighbor or against our neighbor. To be sexually immoral with neighbor is to endanger us and our neighbor. This is the law of sexual love. Since the bible talks plainly about this topic, I will attempt to do the same. Prov. 1-9 is a father/son talk and 1/3 of this wisdom is sex talk...this is kosher in church. *Marital Union*, *Sexual Corruption*, *Immoral Promotion* & *Sexual Redemption*

MARITAL UNION

- Let's start with the standard...the institution at creation
 - In the beginning God made us *male* and *female* - made for each other in marriage
 - This is the highest human relationship (dog is not man's best friend, a wife is)
 - The most permanent of human relationship – (leave father & mother – Gen. 2:24)
 - The most intimate of human relationships. Marital union = sexual union
 - Designed for each other to fit together. The 2 become 1 flesh – Gen. 2:24
 - Original design is for 2...not 3,4...or 14 (2 = 1 male + 1 female)
- This union is to be honored and enjoyed. Heb. 13:4
 - God has given the marriage bed as a gift. It is free & open for mutual edification
 - Prov. 5:18-19 S. of S. 1:2 Ezek. 24:16- "delight of your eyes" (5 senses)
 - Marriage is the only relationship where you can be naked & unashamed – Gen. 2:25
- The marital union is a covenant union. A bonding for life
 - CS Lewis "*there is a spiritual bond created during copulation*"
 - A mystical bond of body/mind/emotion. An intimate oneness Mark 10:9

SEXUAL CORRUPTION

- Exodus 20:14 God warns of breaking this bond and entering other unions. Heb. 13:4
 - Marriage can bring the greatest pleasure in life...as well as the greatest pain
 - It is the relationship where we are the most vulnerable....exposed....susceptible
 - Adultery destroys/wars against oneness. (2 is company but 3 is a crowd)
 - A lovers triangle always brings trouble
 - Sexual immorality destroys holy bonds and builds unholy ones
 - Adultery also unites the offended spouse to the immoral lover. (1 Cor. 6:15-17)
 - Adultery is such a devastating blow to marriage that God allows divorce for the offended party. Matt. 19:9 Adultery (and death) break the marriage covenant.
 - Adultery brings a *death* to a relationship (so the warning of Heb. 13:4)
- Immorality within marriage is not the only way Rule #7 is broken
 - Sexually active singles...skipping marriage while sipping at sex is breaking #7

- *The Sexual Constitution* is simple- sexual morality is only found in marriage
 - Anything sexual outside of marriage is immoral (the rule for what's right)
- "uncovering nakedness" is the biblical description. mentally, visually or physically
 - Only within marriage can we be naked and unashamed (Hab. 2:15)
- Eyes full of adultery – 2 Peter 2:14 Matt. 5:27-29 (Job 31:1)
 - Billie Eilish (girl pop star) "I started watching porn at 11. I think it really destroyed my brain...devastated I was exposed to so much porn."
 - Adultery starts in the heart Mark 7:21 (works through eyes)
 - Adulterous marriage We are not to wife swap. Mark 10:11-12
 - John the Baptist lost his head by applying this law to the king
- There is a progression downward in sexual perversion (Lev. 18)
 - Incest...basic immorality...adultery...abortion...homosexuality...bestiality
 - Our nation is following this same worn perverted road (decent into degradation)
 - Sexual revolution < abortion < homosexuality < gender fluidity < bestiality
 - Once it makes it into the jokes of culture... comedy desensitizes so it can become accepted reality. Mrs. Doubtfire/Madea become Rachel Lavine and Lia Thomas
 - S. Briton – nominee for *Department of Energy*. He is brilliant with nuclear energy but is a *non-binary* activist and into *bestiality* (role play?) Eph. 5:11-13
- Scripture describes sexual sins as something that destroys lives, relationships & society
 - *path to death - sharp as 2 edged sword - sweet at first but bitter in end - reduce to loaf of bread* (consumed or rotted) – *embracing fire - walking on hot coals - destroy yourself - ox to slaughter - shot w/ arrow - caught in snare - chambers of death - reproach not go*

IMMORAL PROMOTION

- There is an active promotion of perversion by schools, government and entertainment
- *Sex Education has become immoral education*. Anatomically correct manikins brought in so 12-year-old boys/ girls can practice putting on a condom. "Safe Sex" (abortion option)
 - A. Rogers "God did not design sex to be dangerous." doing something wrong
- School survey my kids just recently took (about drugs/ guns)
 - "What sex were you *assigned* at birth?" (2 options)
 - "What is your gender identity?" (10 options) man, woman, transgender man, transgender woman, two spirit, gender non-binary, genderqueer, gender fluid
 - 8 options for sexual orientation Straight, Gay/lesbian (not crooked), Bi, Pan
 - Age - (10 options) 10 or younger
- Disney - same sex kiss in upcoming "Toy Story" movie - Buzz Lightyear prequel
 - Matt. 18:6 It is a great sin to corrupt kids and to promote perversion

SEXUAL REDEMPTION

- Much sexual brokenness is brought on us by ourselves or forced on us by others
- Sexual sin brings death...but in the redemption of the gospel there is a resurrection
 - 1 Cor. 6:9-11 there is life after death and washing after dirtying
- Redemption even after a broken union - Ezek. 16 allegory of adultery 16:60-63
- The marital union is a gospel declaration Eph. 5:30-32 Mystical Union