



The True Story of Human Sexuality & Marriage

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Scripture: *²⁷So God created human beings in his own image. In the image of God, he created them; male and female he created them. ²⁸Then God blessed them and said, “Be fruitful and multiply. Fill the earth and govern it... [Genesis 1:27-28a NLT]*

1. God created and embodied human sexuality as male and female.

²⁴This explains why a man leaves his father and mother and is joined to his wife, and the two are united into one. [Genesis 2:24 NLT]

2. God created marriage as a faithful covenant relationship between one man and one woman for a lifetime.

⁷At that moment their eyes were opened, and they suddenly felt shame at their nakedness. [Genesis 3:7a NLT]

3. Humanity’s disobedience brought sexual brokenness.

4. Christ’s obedience brings sexual wholeness.

¹¹Some of you were once like that. But you were cleansed; you were made holy; you were made right with God by calling on the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God. [I Corinthians 6:9-11 NLT]

Growth Group Questions

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WARM-UPS

1. What are some of your favorite TV shows of the past and present?
2. In what ways do you feel you benefit from being part of a “community” in this growth group?



DISCUSSION

1. Does your personal view of human sexuality and marriage currently align with God’s Word as we heard it described today? Why or why not?
2. In what ways have “man-made” institutions negatively influenced or altered God’s intended design for marriage and the family? How have those influences affected you?
3. Why do you think we tend to hide sins of a “sexual” nature more so than other sins? Are they worse or more damaging than other sins? Why or why not?
4. Have you ever been set free from bondage to sexual sin? Explain.
5. What did you find most challenging, helpful, or inspiring in the sermon today and why?

IN THE WORD

Read some of the passages below and discuss any insights into today’s message.

- 1 Corinthians 15:39
- Isaiah 59:2
- James 5:16
- Romans 8:1

PRACTICE

- Is there some area of your “sexual” life that’s currently broken and needs brought back into alignment with God’s will and intended purpose for you? If so, are you willing to renounce it and repent (turn away from it)? Forgiveness is available (1 John 1:8-9). Bringing sin into the light dispels darkness and will help to break the sexual bondage or sin pattern. Therefore, consider confessing your sin not only to God, but also to a trusted friend(s). (James 5:16)