

Taking it Home:

1. In the station of life you are in, how are you doing in honoring God with your sexuality? If anything is out of order, confess your sin to the one you have hurt whether God, yourself, your partner or your spouse. Seek not only forgiveness, but healing. If you need help with this, one of the pastors would be happy to point you in the right direction to begin the healing process.

Prayer Concerns:**Honoring God in our Sexuality**

1 Corinthians 6:12-7:6

God's design for sex is the same _____.

God's sexual ethic: *Sex is only to be enjoyed between*
_____ *in the* _____.

Biblical Sexuality

1. Sex is the _____ and _____
of the covenant relationship between husband and wife.
2. Sex is an illustration of the _____ God
desires with His _____.
3. Sex is a _____ created by God for our
_____.

Honoring God in our sexuality:

Unmarried: Flee _____ and
pursue _____.

Married: Pursue _____ and
pursue _____.

Personal Study/Growth Group Discussion Questions

Getting Started:

1. If you grew up in church, how did your church speak about sexuality (positively, negatively, not at all)? If you did not grow up in church, what role, if any, did God play in your understanding of sexuality?

Digging Deeper:

Read 1 Corinthians 6:12-7:6

1. The Corinthians lived in a sexually charged culture, was this surprising to you? Into this setting Paul wrote, upholding God's ethic of sexuality as between one man and one woman in the boundary of a marriage relationship. What does this tell us about the timelessness of God's commands?
2. Some of the Corinthians felt that what they did with their bodies had no bearing on their spiritual lives. What are your thoughts on this? How does this passage help us think differently about this ideology? How else do we disconnect what we do with our bodies from our spiritual lives?
3. The Bible describes sex as both a sign meant to recall the wedding covenant, and as an illustration of the level of intimacy God desires in our relationship with him. Discuss the meaning of this sign and illustration. How does this differ from culture's view of sex? How might we help an unbeliever understand the value God places on sex?
4. Does it surprise you that the Song of Solomon is in Bible? (If you need a reminder of what this book is about, read Song of Solomon chapter 7). Why do you think God ordained this love poem to be included as Scripture? What does this tell us about God's perspective on sex?
5. The Bible tells us that 'your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit' and that you are 'to honor God with your body'. Concerning sexuality, what practical implications does this have for the married and the unmarried? (Review 1 Corinthians 6:18-20; 7:2-5, Romans 12:1-2)
6. 1 Corinthians 6:9-11 immediately precedes the verses we've focused on. What do these verses say about God's law? God's grace? Our call to obedience? The blessing of forgiveness?