

Satan's Deception

Holy Sexuality Starts In The _____ Before It Gets To The _____ !

“When [the devil] lies, he speaks his native language, for **he is a liar** and **the father of lies.**” - *John 8:44 NIV*

“Then **you will know the truth**, and the truth will **set you free.**” - *John 8:32 NIV*

IN THE BEGINNING

1. Satan's First Deception Involved _____ !

The man and his wife were both **naked**, and they **felt no shame.** - *Genesis 2:25 NIV*

2. Satan Uses Sexuality As A Doorway To _____ !

TWO “BEGINNING” QUESTIONS

1. What _____ Has Satan Planted In Your Life?

Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and **they realized they were naked**; so they sewed fig leaves together **and made coverings** for themselves. - *Genesis 3:7 NIV*

But the LORD God called to the man, “Where are you?” He answered, “I heard you in the garden, and I was afraid because **I was naked**; so **I hid.**” - *Genesis 3:9-10 NIV*

2. What Flimsy _____ Are You Hiding Behind?

DROP THE FIG LEAF

A. Confess Your Secret _____ .

“Yet if you **devote your heart** to [God] and stretch out your hands to him, if you **put away the sin** that is in your hand and **allow no evil to dwell** in your tent, then, you will lift up your face **without shame**; you will stand firm and **without fear.**”

- *Job 11:13-16 NIV*

B. Get Biblical _____ .

Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the **renewing of your mind.** Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will. - *Romans 12:2 NIV*

C. Admit To Any Secret _____ .

Therefore **confess your sins to each other and pray** for each other so that you may **be healed.** The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective. - *James 5:16 NIV*

D. Take Your Hurt To _____ .

What a friend we have in Jesus, All our sins and griefs to bear! What a privilege to carry / Everything to God in prayer! Oh, what peace we often forfeit, Oh, what needless pain we bear, All because we do not carry / Everything to God in prayer! Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere? We should never be discouraged—Take it to the Lord in prayer. Can we find a friend so faithful, Who will all our sorrows share? Jesus knows our every weakness; Take it to the Lord in prayer.

- *What A Friend We Have In Jesus*

DISCUSSION GUIDE

- How has Satan used the world to program us with lies about sexuality? What beliefs about sex are regularly promoted on TV and in movies?
- What and/or who was the source of how you learned about sexuality? (parents, school, TV, movies, friends, magazines, computer, experience, etc.)
- In your opinion, what are the biggest challenges to sexual purity today?

- What are some of the natural consequences our society is experiencing because of our sexual attitudes and behaviors?
- How have marriages today been damaged by Satan's lies about sex? Why does God desire that we enjoy sex only within the marriage covenant?
- Read Genesis 2:22-3:13. Before sin, how would you characterize Adam and Eve's relationship? Their relationship with God? What can we learn about God's view of sexuality from this passage?
- How can you pray this week for the duration of this series on Holy Sexuality?