

Satan's Attack on Single Adults

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

SATAN'S PLAN OF ATTACK

A. To _____ You From God's _____ !

B. To _____ You For _____ !

C. To _____ You Of _____ !

WHAT SATAN DOESN'T WANT YOU TO KNOW

1. What You Do _____ Affects _____ !

Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man **reaps what he sows**. The one who sows to please his sinful nature, from that nature will reap **destruction**. - Galatians 6:7-8 NIV

But among you there must not be even a **hint** of **sexual immorality**. - Ephesians 5:3 NIV

Marriage should be **honored by all**, and the marriage bed kept pure, for God will judge the adulterer and all the sexually immoral. - Hebrews 13:4 NIV

2. Marriage Is A _____, Not A _____ !

For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be **united** to his wife, and they will become **one flesh**.

- Genesis 2:24 NIV

Covenant: An unconditional **surrendering** of your right, while increasing your responsibility.

Contract: A conditional agreement protecting your rights, and limiting your responsibilities.

3. God Is Always _____ !

“Trust in the LORD with **all your heart** and lean not on your **own understanding**; in all your ways **acknowledge him**, and he will make your paths straight.” - Proverbs 3:5-6 NIV

Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we **ask** or **imagine**. - Ephesians 3:20 NIV

DISCUSSION GUIDE

- How is sex outside of marriage viewed by many of the people you know?
- How has the media influenced our attitudes about sex and singleness?
- SINGLES: Where are you most vulnerable? Straying from God's path or losing hope in the possibility of a great marriage? Explain?
- SINGLES: What are you doing today that will positively affect your tomorrow? (Egs: maybe you're guarding your heart or developing Christ-centered friendships, etc.)
- MARRIED: Satan trains people for divorce. What are you doing (or what do you need to do) to divorce-proof your marriage?
- MARRIED: Marriage is a covenant not a contract. Talk about what that means in your daily living? (refer to definitions above)
- What did God speak to you during this message? Discuss it?
- How can you begin to pray this week for your marriage? For your purity if you're single?

- Read Ephesians 4:17-24, 5:1-5. In what ways were the Ephesians instructed to not live as Gentiles? (4:17-19) How does the Gentile (worldly) mindset affect a person's choices and behavior? What is the first step to changing an old pattern of behavior? (4:23) What is the nature of our new self? (4:24) How would believing this about yourself motivate you to live a life of moral excellence? (5:1-3)
- Read 1 Thessalonians 4:1-8. What are God's desires for our sexuality? (4:3-8) How is the Christian's sexual conduct to be different from that of the non-Christian? (4:4-5) When a person rejects God's instructions on sexual behavior, what are they rejecting? (4:8) How can we wrong a person by our sexual behavior? What should motivate us to live a pure and holy life?

RESOURCES

- 1) Our Church has women's and men's peer groups
- 2) *Preparing Your Son For Every Man's Battle*, Stephen Arterburn
- 3) *Every Man's Battle: Winning the War on Sexual Temptation One Victory at a Time*, Stephen Arterburn
- 4) *Every Woman's Battle: Discovering God's Plan for Sexual and Emotional Fulfillment*, Shannon Ethridge
- 5) *Re-bonding: Preventing and Restoring Damaged Relationships*, Donald M. Joy
- 6) Focusonthefamily.com – for resources