

THE PROBLEM OF GOD

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THE PROBLEM WITH GOD'S DESIGN FOR SEX

- The priority of the AUTONOMOUS self.
- Assuming God and the teachings of Scripture are ANTI-SEX.

GOD, SEX AND THE TEACHINGS OF SCRIPTURE

- God CREATED sex. (Genesis 1:28)
- God calls sex GOOD. (Genesis 1:27, 31)
- God considers sex HOLY. (Romans 12:1)

4 CHOICES TO EXPERIENCE GOD'S BEST

1) Choose to honor God with MY BODY.

The body, however, is not meant for sexual immorality but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. - 1 Corinthians 6:13

Don't you realize that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit, who lives in you and was given to you by God? You do not belong to yourself, **20** for God bought you with a high price. So you must honor God with your body. - 1 Corinthians 6:19-20

2) Choose to honor God with MY THOUGHTS.

Be careful how you think; your life is shaped by your thoughts. - Proverbs 4:23

(Jesus) You have heard the commandment that says, 'You must not commit adultery.' **28** But I say, anyone who even looks at a woman with lust has already committed adultery with her in his heart.
- Matthew 5:27:28

3) Choose to honor God with MY TEMPTATIONS.

Run from sexual sin! No other sin so clearly affects the body as this one does. For sexual immorality is a sin against your own body.
- 1 Corinthians 6:18

If you think you are standing strong, be careful not to fall. **13** The temptations in your life are no different from what others experience. And God is faithful. He will not allow the temptation to be more than you can stand. When you are tempted, he will show you a way out so that you can endure. - 1 Corinthians 10:12-13

4) Choose to allow God to MAKE ME NEW.

Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect. - Romans 12:2

No matter how deep the stain of your sins, I can remove it. I can make you as clean as freshly fallen snow. Even if you are stained as red as crimson, I can make you as white as wool. - Isaiah 1:18