



REFLECT

1. Summarize the sermon for this week.

ENCOUNTER

*For this is God's will, your sanctification:
that you keep away from sexual immorality (1 Thessalonians 4:3).*

The city of ancient Corinth, unfortunately much like our society today, was full of sexual perversion. The church in ancient Corinth, unfortunately much like some churches today, was tempted to mirror the perversions of the surrounding city. The Corinthian Christians misunderstood the free gospel of Jesus Christ and assumed they were free to sin—even free to visit prostitutes!

So Paul had to explain God's good design for sex and admonish them to flee from sexual sin. Read 1 Corinthians 6:12-20 together. If you have space, consider splitting into men's and women's groups to discuss the following questions.

2. Read 1 Corinthians 6:12-13. Some versions (ESV, NIV, CSB) put phrases in quotations. What is Paul's intent in using these quotation?
3. The phrases in quotations are Corinthian mottos to justify their sin. How do they justify their sexual sin? How does Paul respond to each of their statements?
4. Biblical Christianity, unlike many worldviews, has a high view of the body. It is not a shell to be discarded or a tool to be freely used. Make a list of everything you learn about the body in 1 Corinthians 6:12-20.

5. What are the commands in this passage? Why are we to obey them?

TRANSFORM

6. 1 Corinthians 6:18 says, "Flee sexual immorality." Apply this command by considering different areas and activities.

PRAYER REQUESTS

*"When our Lord and Master Jesus Christ said, 'Repent,'
he willed the entire life of believers to be one of repentance."*

~ Martin Luther ~