

Human Sexuality

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Our Purpose: To be a community of believers where, no matter who you are, you can experience life change through Jesus Christ.

1. God's Perspective on Sex

21 So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and while he slept took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. 22 And the rib that the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. 23 Then the man said, "This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man." 24 Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh.

—Genesis 2:21-24 (ESV)

A. God created sex.

B. God created men and women to be sexually complementary.

C. God created sex for marriage only.

Therefore, any sexual activity outside of the covenant relationship of marriage is sin.

4 Let marriage be held in honor among all, and let the marriage bed be undefiled, for God will judge the sexually immoral and adulterous.

—Hebrews 13:4 (ESV)

2 But because of the temptation to sexual immorality, each man should have his own wife and each woman her own husband.

—1 Corinthians 7:2 (ESV)

22 You shall not lie with a male as with a woman; it is an abomination.

—Leviticus 18:22 (ESV)

26 For this reason God gave them up to dishonorable passions. For their women exchanged natural relations for those that are contrary to nature; 27 and the men likewise gave up natural relations with women and were consumed with passion for one another, men committing shameless acts with men and receiving in themselves the due penalty for their error.

—Romans 1:26-27 (ESV)

9 Or do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived: neither the sexually immoral, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor men who practice homosexuality, 10 nor thieves, nor the greedy, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God. 11 And such were some of you. But you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God.

—1 Corinthians 6:9-11 (ESV)

2. Our Response

Three options:

1. Dismiss the truth.
2. Change the truth.
3. Hold on to the truth and love at the same time.

24 He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed.

—1 Peter 2:24 (ESV)