

Revolution

Intro: (light of Christmas)

Jn 1:1-5

Christmas is about more than a baby in a manger or even God with us in some metaphysical sense - Christmas is about conflict - It is about an invasion - it is about good and evil, light and darkness.

So as we rejoice that it happened let us remember why it had to and what it means for us today

Problem:

Rom 12:1-2

This is about more than Christian living it is about apologetics in a world of darkness

lev 18 reminds us that it is not new

Main Idea:

Do not be conformed to the sexual revolution of this world

It destabilizes families

It demeans mothers

It defeats fathers

It devours children

It destroys society

But be transformed by the renewal of your mind

Implication:

This is not about a culture war or a moral majority

It is about light in the darkness

Application: (shine your light)

We have a job to do and its not being outraged constantly

Do not retreat from the darkness for we are the only light the world will see

Articles for further study:

<https://www.fatherhood.org/father-absence-statistic>

<https://www.covenanteyes.com/pornstats/>

<https://www.oneplace.com/ministries/grace-to-you/read/articles/biblical-portrait-of-women-10566.html>

<https://www.gty.org/library/sermons-library/90-67/the-biblical-view-on-abortion-part-1>

<https://www.washingtonpost.com/dc-md-va/2021/02/24/gen-z-lgbt/>

<https://www.gotquestions.org/homosexuality-Bible.html>

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Text:

Do not be conformed to sexual revolution this world

Leviticus 18:1 ¶ And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying,

Leviticus 18:2 "Speak to the people of Israel and say to them, **I am the LORD your God.**

Leviticus 18:3 **You shall not do as they do** in the land of Egypt, where you lived, and **you shall not do as they do** in the land of Canaan, to which I am bringing you. You shall not walk in their statutes.

Leviticus 18:4 **You shall follow my rules and keep my statutes and walk in them. I am the LORD your God.**

Leviticus 18:5 You shall therefore keep my statutes and my rules; **if a person does them, he shall live by them: I am the LORD.**

rom 6:15-23 (The world's sexual revolution has led to...the radical change to the forms structures values and ethics of what we thought was normal society - this revolution was not new but a return to paganism of Egypt and Canaan - the sanctity of life, marriage, family, gender are all under attack - the pattern is the same destabilization, death and destruction...this is not just our context it was the context of the early church but before that it was the context of lev 18 -

*Lev 18 reveals how God used Israel to lead another sexual revolution...one that brought life
Life to the family, femininity, marriage children, and biology and society
Now it's our time again to lead a revolution. We do well to pay attention.*

It destabilizes families

Leviticus 18:6 ¶ **None of you shall approach any one of his close relatives to uncover nakedness. I am the LORD.**

Leviticus 18:7 You shall not uncover the nakedness of **your father**, which is the nakedness of your mother; she is your mother, you shall not uncover her nakedness.

Leviticus 18:8 You shall not uncover the nakedness of **your father's sister**; it is your father's nakedness.

Leviticus 18:9 You shall not uncover the nakedness of **your sister**, your father's daughter or your mother's daughter, whether brought up in the family or in another home.

Leviticus 18:10 You shall not uncover the nakedness of **your son's daughter or of your daughter's daughter**, for their nakedness is your own nakedness.

Leviticus 18:11 You shall not uncover the nakedness of **your father's wife's daughter**, brought up in your father's **family**, since she is your sister.

Leviticus 18:12 You shall not uncover the nakedness of **your father's sister**; she is your father's **relative**.

Leviticus 18:13 You shall not uncover the nakedness of **your mother's sister**, for she is your mother's **relative**.

Leviticus 18:14 You shall not uncover the nakedness of **your father's brother**, that is, you shall not approach his wife; she is your aunt.

Leviticus 18:15 You shall not uncover the nakedness of **your daughter-in-law**; she is your son's wife, you shall not uncover her nakedness.

Leviticus 18:16 You shall not uncover the nakedness of **your brother's wife**; it is your brother's nakedness.

Leviticus 18:17 You shall not uncover the nakedness of **a woman and of her daughter**, and you shall not take her son's daughter or her daughter's daughter to uncover her nakedness; they are relatives; it is depravity.

Leviticus 18:18 And you shall not take **a woman as a rival wife to her sister**, uncovering her nakedness **while her sister is still alive**.

2 Sam 16:20-23; 12:9-12 (destabilizes families - began with incest of Tamar with a absalom sister by brother amnon his brother split kingdom - didn't begin with amnon or absalom but David -

over 50 percent of Americans today end In divorce - that's for the ones who even get married...

according to U.S. census bureau 1 in 4 children grow up in fatherless homes

- in the black community the statistic is closer to 80 percent

- this is where the cycle of crime, poverty and incarceration begins - in fact there is a what's called a father factor in virtually every social ill facing our society - but how is the family destabilized?)

It demeans mothers

Leviticus 18:19 ¶ "You shall not approach a woman to uncover her nakedness while she is **in her menstrual uncleanness**.

2 Sam 11:1-5 (demeans mothers - time of her purifying - their value and blessing of conception - minimized as a sexual object - feminism has made sex cheap and motherhood expensive - at every turn the sexual revolution has demeaned women - the woman of the year was a man the first woman admiral is a man - the new record holder in many women sports are now men...men can eve get pregnant now - no longer breastfeeder but chest feeders no longer mother but birthing people)

It defeats fathers

Leviticus 18:20 And you shall **not lie sexually with your neighbor's wife** and so make yourself unclean with her.

prov 5:1-23; 6:23-35; 7:6-27 (defeats fathers - pornography - sanctity of marriage - pornography is today a 13 billion dollars industry -over 28k users worldwide are watching porn every second - today 90 percent of children between 8-12 years old have been exposed to pornography, 90 percent as teens and 96 percent of young adults are either encouraging or neutral in their view of porn)

It devours children

Leviticus 18:21 You shall not give any of **your children** to offer them to Molech, and so profane the name of your God: I am the LORD.

1 kings 11:1-8 (a culture of wisdom became a culture of death - more than 60 million babies have been slaughtered in the womb)

It destroys society

Leviticus 18:22 You shall not lie with a male as with a woman; it is an **abomination**.

Leviticus 18:23 And you shall not lie with any animal and so make yourself unclean with it, neither shall any woman give herself to an animal to lie with it: it is **perversion**.

rom 1:18-32 (death of all norming norms. Destruction of civilization)

gen 19:5 (homosexuality a breaking down of barriers of kind biology linked with bestiality)

Judges 19:22 (embraced)

But be transformed by the renewal of your mind

Leviticus 18:24 ¶ **Do not make yourselves unclean by any of these things, for by all these the nations I am driving out before you have become unclean,**

Leviticus 18:25 **and the land became unclean, so that I punished its iniquity, and the land vomited out its inhabitants.**

Leviticus 18:26 **But you shall keep my statutes and my rules** and do none of these abominations, either the native or the stranger who sojourns among you

Leviticus 18:27 (for the people of the land, who were before you, did all of these abominations, so that the land became unclean),

Leviticus 18:28 lest the land vomit you out when you make it unclean, as it vomited out the nation that was before you.

Leviticus 18:29 For everyone who does any of these abominations, the persons who do them shall be cut off from among their people.

Leviticus 18:30 **So keep my charge** never to practice any of these abominable customs that were practiced before you, and never to make yourselves unclean by them: **I am the LORD your God.**"

deut 9:1-6 (this is not about a culture war or a moral majority)

1 cor 6:9-12 (politics cannot change the heart)

2 cor 4:5-6 (we need a new revolution)

1 in 2:7-8 (we are the new revolution)

Eph 5:1-6:1, 5, 9 (a revolution of love of life of light)

Phil 2:14-16 (we have a job to do and it's not being outraged constantly)

1 pet 4:1-5, 12-19 (don't be surprised when you suffer)

Matt 5:11-15 (don't hide don't retreat from the darkness for we are the only light the world will see)