

Youth and Sexuality

“Breaking the power of Pornography”

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1 Corinthians 6:12 – 20 - Sexual Immorality

"Everything is permissible for me" – but not everything is beneficial. "Everything is permissible for me" – but I will not be mastered by anything. "Food for the stomach and the stomach for food" – but God will destroy them both. The body is not meant for sexual immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. By his power God raised the Lord from the dead, and he will raise us also. Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ himself? Shall I then take the members of Christ and unite them with a prostitute? Never! Do you not know that he who unites himself with a prostitute is one with her in body? For it is said, "The two will become one flesh." But he who unites himself with the Lord is one with him in spirit.

Flee from sexual immorality. All other sins a man commits are outside his body, but he who sins sexually sins against his own body. Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your body.

What is Sexual Immorality?

Sexual Immorality - *Baker's Evangelical Dictionary of Biblical Theology*

Interpersonal activity involving sex organs that does not conform to God's revealed laws governing sexuality.

What is Pornography?

*Prostitute - Greek *Porneia*

Porneia

1. Illicit (illegal, against the law, dishonest) sexual intercourse

*Adultery, fornication, homosexuality, lesbianism, bestiality, Incest, pornography etc.

Etymology: Greek *pornographos*, adjective, writing about prostitutes.

Definition: Pornography - pornography. (2008). In *Merriam-Webster Online Dictionary*.

1 : The depiction (representation) of erotic behavior (as in pictures or writing) intended to cause sexual excitement

What is Lust?

- A strong craving or desire, often of a sexual nature.
- Lust is a burning desire for the opposite sex beyond the boundaries God set for the sexual relationship.

Side effects of pornography:

- Perversions (Homosexuality, Bestiality etc.)
- Sexual imbalance
- Sexual dissatisfaction
- Masturbation Goal Oriented
- Lies & deception
- Uncontrolled thoughts
- Spiritual oppression
- Marital strife / destruction / divorce

Side effects of pornography (Continued):

- Corrupted perception of reality.
- Warped interpersonal skills.
- Fear, Depression, Guilt.
- Inability to give or receive love.
- Spiritual death, Torment.
- Depraved mind..
- Darkened understanding.
- Loss of discernment between good & evil.
- Promiscuity.
- Lustful eye.

Things to remember and do:

- 96% of Christian males under the age of 20 masturbate regularly.*₁
- 60% of Christian men have sought out some form of pornography.*₂
- 91% of men raised in Christian homes were exposed to pornography while growing up (compared to 98% of those not raised in a Christian home).*₃
- 91% of the first exposure by a teen to pornography was during benign activities, such as research for school projects or surfing the Web for other information.*₄
- Adolescents ages 12-17 are among the age groups most frequently exposed to pornography.*₅
- Women accessing adult websites each month - **9.4 million**

1. 1994: *The Hart Report* by Dr. Archibald D. Hart (confidential survey of 600 men), printed by *The Sexual Man* by Dr. Archibald D. Hart, Word Publishing, 1994 (at page 119).

2. "Porn addiction is more than skin deep" by Editor: Kevin Axe, reprinted at <http://www.faithlinks.org/viewarticle.asp?ID=550>.

3. 1994: *The Hart Report* by Dr. Archibald D. Hart (confidential survey of 600 men), printed by *The Sexual Man* by Dr. Archibald D. Hart, Word Publishing, 1994 (at page 95).

4. Study by Yankelovich Partners Inc. (1999).

5. The Attorney General's National Study Commission on Pornography, 1970 and 1986.

Consequences of Sexual Sin

- Sex sin defiles your body and damages its ability to fulfill God's purposes.
- Sex sin grieves God's Spirit.
- Practicing sin forms a stronghold for evil in our lives.
- Sex sin can bring a curse on you, your partner and/or your children.
- Sex sin can give evil spirits footholds to influence your life.
- Sex sin can bring spiritual confusion. Sex sin can produce unloved or unwanted children.
- Sex sin can expose us to sexually transmitted disease.

Sexual sin can cause emotional confusion & lasting memories:

This confusion can manifest in many ways. Here are some examples:

- Recurring dreams and/or thoughts about former lovers
- Regret or bitterness toward people who hurt us in past relationships
- Distorted understanding of true love (corrupted by lust or other selfishness)
- Sexual experiences with our spouse are corrupted by thoughts of our former lovers or porn images we've viewed
- Idolizing past sexual partners...especially when running into difficulties in marriage

INCUBUS & SUCCUBUS

- INCUBUS (Mari de nuit) - A spirit or male demon thought to have sexual intercourse with sleeping women
- SUCCUBUS (Femme de nuit) - A female demon thought to have sexual intercourse with sleeping men.

Merriam-Webster Online Dictionary.

Cause:

- Sexual sins (*Porneia*).
 - witchcraft spells.
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n attack children.

Thank God, we have Victory and
Forgiveness in Jesus Christ!!!!

Let now look at some practical steps
how to deal with Sexual Immorality
and Sexual Sin...

How to deal Sexual Sin

- Ask the following questions:
 - When? “I am most tempted”
 - Where? “I am most tempted”
 - How? “I am most tempted”
 - Who? “With who I am most tempted”

Benefits of Abstinence and Sanctification life style

- 1. **Clear conscience** with God.
- 2. **Peace of mind** in your life and future relationships, and marriage.
- 3. More **self-respect** and more respect for each other and respected by other people.
- 4. Always remember, in a healthy relationship, **respect precedes love**. And premarital sex only throws away your self respect and your partner's.
- 5. You enter marriage with a more **positive outlook** and without carrying emotional baggage.
- 6. **Personal freedom** for both of you and your (future) marriage partner.
- 7. Significantly better chance in having **more satisfying** and **more stable** marriage.

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- 8. **Longer lasting relationship**. Premarital sex surprisingly breaks up more dating couples than any other factor.
- 9. **No worries** about pregnancy and STDs.
- 11. **Less worries** about bad reputation.
- 13. Premarital sex **often fools** a person into marrying someone who really isn't right for them.
- 14. You don't have to put yourself under someone else's mercy not to reject you. It's still a fact, that the more "experienced" guys and girls are generally **less desirable and less respected** marriage partners.

Things to remember and do:

You must develop a Sanctification life.

Things to remember and do:

You must develop a life of daily
Meditation and Prayer.

Things to remember and do:

You must develop self-control.

You must develop accountability in your life.

Things to remember and do:

You must develop a life of fellowship.

You must attend Church regularly.

Scripture to read:

- 1 Corinthians 6:12 – 20 - Sexual Immorality
- Matthew 5: 28-29 – Radical amputation how to say NO
- Proverbs 6:25, 27 compares lust to a fire