

The Sacred Space of Sex

1 Corinthians 6:12-7:5

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⇒ Adopt a biblical understanding of sex (6:12-17)

- ◇ It is about stewardship, not entitlement
- ◇ It is spiritual and physical, not just physical
- ◇ It is a sacred treasure, not a casual commodity

⇒ Flee sexual immorality (6:18-20)

- ◇ It comes with great consequences
- ◇ It is not an option for one owned by God

⇒ Nurture sexual intimacy in marriage (7:1-5)

- ◇ By practicing faithfulness
- ◇ By focusing on serving the other
- ◇ By growing in teamwork

FOR FURTHER ACTION/REFLECTION

Memorize 1 Corinthians 6:20

Read Matthew 5:27-30, Proverbs 5, 1 Thessalonians 4:3-8, Song of Songs 2:1-4, Philippians 2:1-5

Read “Restoring Pure Joy to the Sexually Broken” – bit.ly/RestoringPureJoy

Read about a God-honoring way to think about sex – bit.ly/Godhonoringsex

Read “Rescuing 1 Corinthians 7:4 from Abusers” by Weidenaar

Read *Making All Things New: Restoring Pure Joy to the Sexually Broken* by Powlison

Read *Rescue Plan: Charting a Course to Restore Prisoners of Pornography* by Reju

Read *Rethinking Sexuality* by Slattery

Read *Pure in Heart: Sexual Sin and the Promises of God* by Kell

Read *Redeem Your Marriage: Hope for Husbands who have Hurt through Pornography* by Solomon

Listen to “Redeemed” – bit.ly/Redeemed3

Listen to “Take my Life” – bit.ly/TakemyLife2

GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What stood out to you the most from the message?
2. What are some of the “sacred places” in your life – physical places that have been particularly special, inspirational, or refreshing to you?
3. Read 1 Corinthians 6:12-13 where we see the Corinthians were misled by some popular concepts or sayings in their culture. What are some general ideas or sayings in our culture today that mislead us away from God’s word and principles?
4. We see in our passage how God’s word has something to say about both sexual immorality and sexual intimacy. In what ways have you found wisdom from God for areas of life that you might not have expected him to address? How has God’s word proven to be a faithful guide for you in all aspects of life?
5. Would you say that your understanding of sex was initially shaped more by Scripture and the church or more by some other influences? What sources most shaped your understanding of sex?
6. How does God want us to view our bodies according to 1 Corinthians 6:13-20?
7. What difference does it make when we view our bodies as belonging to the Lord? How might that change the way we make decisions?
8. Read 1 Corinthians 6:20. What does it mean that we were “bought with a price”? What was the price? What are the implications of this?
9. Read 1 Corinthians 7:1-5. In general, how is the idea of approaching sexual intimacy with a servant mindset different from how the world and our flesh shapes us to approach this area?
10. In our sexually charged and confused society, how can we influence next generations to know and cherish God’s beautiful design for sexual intimacy?

