

SEXUAL PURITY

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1 Corinthians 6:15 – 20 *Don't you realize that your bodies are actually parts of Christ? Should a man take his body, which belongs to Christ, and join it to a prostitute? Never! And don't you know that if a man joins himself to a prostitute, he becomes one body with her? For the Scriptures say, "The two are united into one."*

But the person who is joined to the Lord becomes one spirit with Him.

Run away from sexual sin! No other sin so clearly affects the body as this one does. For sexual immorality is a sin against your body.

Or don't you know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit, who lives in you and was given to you by God? You do not belong to yourself, for God bought you with a high price. So you must honor God with your body .NLT

Scripture is plainly positioned, Lev. 20:12b among many others, regarding those who commit adultery: *They have acted contrary to nature and are guilty of a capital offence.* NLT

CAPITAL OFFENCE!!! WHY SO DRASTIC???

Proverbs 6:32 *But the man who commits adultery is an utter fool, for he destroys his own soul.* To destroy a soul, even your own soul, is scripturally a capital crime!

Unfortunately, once a wrong unsanctified sexual union manifests, the spirit abandons kinship with HOLINESS and seeks further destruction with additional sexual fulfillment. This drive for continued fulfillment is, many times, enticed and accelerated by satanic influence.

If there have been numerous immoral unions with multiple partners, the human spirit becomes lonely, isolated and overburdened in a state of confusion like an overloaded transformer trying to distribute current to satisfy too much demand. Our individual human spirits were originally created to interface with one spirit, God's Holy Spirit. Therefore a monogamous merger in a Holy marriage, ordained under the Lordship of God's wisdom and counsel, provides a mutual three-in-one spiritual experience including God's Holy Spirit all coming together to establish our source of natural lasting peace and harmony.

God's Spirit experiences our emotions even more than we experience His emotions. Now, Think about that - God experiences our emotions!!! This satisfies His desire for our relationship with Him. Depression, frustration and self destructive behavior become common symptoms when this peaceful relationship through Holiness is absent.

The Scriptural Solution

With well guided discipleship, deliverance by confession, absolution and prayer for separation, counselees have typically cried out, *"I have never felt so free. I didn't realize how scattered I felt. I feel together with an acceptable identification again."*

Of course! This reaction is because the human spirit will no longer need to continue searching for the fulfillment of multiples of destructive demands, evil temptations that are subliminally driven spiritually as well as by the flesh. Every Christian counselor should comprehend the absolute need for a complete fullness of the deliverance task. If he or she hears a confession of sexual immorality, not only must absolution (forgiveness by authority in Jesus) be pronounced, but also the pursuit and forgiveness of root causes and the transforming of malformed spiritual barriers. It is essential also by authority in Christ to pronounce, "In Jesus' Name," that the spirits of all persons involved in past immorality be separated. A spiritual separation, like a divorce, from the links to evil partners must take place. Only then will complete deliverance be established. If this does not happen, these past partners will be satanically driven by what seems to them to only be selfish desires to find their way back to complete the spiritual destruction.

Adultery

Adultery is, by definition, the sexual union with a person other than one's own mate. Pornography or any aberrational form of sex, in my opinion, is a form of adultery. If a married person has intercourse with an unmarried person, by definition again, the first commits adultery, the other fornication.

Causal Factors

The same root causes pertain to all of these. Childhood experiences may not appear to significantly influence illicit adult behavior since present temptations, challenges or troubles may seem to be creating enough vulnerability on their own. Certainly present causes, circumstances and needs should be given full consideration; however in many, if not most, adult behavior disorders childhood experiences must be seen as a major target for examination and deliverance.

Subliminal early memories in our deep subconscious mind determine largely how we receive and react to present stimuli and choices to our conscious awareness. For example, if a person seems to be experiencing a lack of satisfaction in life or an unacceptable self-worth as he or she hungers for significance and security in present relationships, loneliness, vulnerability and maybe even self destructive tendencies may result. Feelings of dying emotionally inside may be a subconscious condition they do not understand.

Imagine, someone coming along who can befriend another without showing their baggage (self-worth). For a while it's as though a relationship is developing with clean slates, no dysfunction showing on either side. Both feel so wonderful, coming alive again.

Surprise, surprise, no guilt is experienced as sexual desires begin to awaken. It is totally bewildering. No Great warning signals or wrongful behavior feelings. There may be a total unawareness that the spirit is dead; no signals of conscience. Two souls seem so emotionally alive; body faculties feel so good and ready. It's unbelievable that this relationship could possibly be wrong or sinful. If it continues into an illicit act, fleeting thought reminders of God's laws may pass through intellectual reasoning, but hearts are singing. They think, "I'm in love." Surely they wouldn't feel so alive if this were "sin."

Being unaware of typical human tendencies and the open door to satanic influence, what would be likely to happen if one or both are married and divorces resulted? The man might marry his new "soul-mate," but given a little time she could become like a mother to him because his real subliminal drive remains his emotional needs from childhood. She begins to feel inadequate and out of control, perhaps still with her desperate needs from childhood. He would soon be looking for another soul-mate, never realizing the real hunger, emotional starvation in his developing years. She would move on thinking it is mostly her inadequacy that caused the failure.

His present hunger for that significance and security along with other desperate needs such as the intimacy he may never have received in early family relationships or the escape from overwhelming guilt essential for a quality life. Hope based on faith is another requirement if life is to be productive and vision oriented, but unworthiness will deny faith or accountability.

These needs are all provided in a healthy way through quality parenting with the presence of God's Holy Spirit in the family, but this kind of home life is rare in the last half of the 20th century and especially in our contemporary world of today, so deliverance is essential for many before real sexual purity and a life worth living is achieved.

IT CAN HAPPEN WITH RIGHT SPIRITUAL MENTORING!!!