

We Don't Talk About

Part 4: Sexuality

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Whose idea was sex anyway?

God created human beings in his own image. In the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. Then God blessed them and said, 'Be fruitful and multiply.' (Genesis 1:27–28, New Living Translation)

It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper who is just right for him. (Genesis 2:18, NLT)

At last!" the man exclaimed. This one is bone from my bone, and flesh from my flesh! She will be called woman, because she was taken from man.' " This explains why a man leaves his father and mother and is joined to his wife, and the two are united into one. (Genesis 2:23–24, NLT)

- God designed sex to be a physical expression of a man and a woman uniting into one within marriage.

Haven't you read the Scriptures?" Jesus replied. "They record that from the beginning God made them male and female. And he said, This explains why a man leaves his father and mother and is joined to his wife, and the two are united into one. Since they are no longer two but one, let no one split apart what God has joined together. (Matthew 19:4–6, NLT)

Marriage must be honored among all and the marriage bed kept undefiled, for God will judge sexually immoral people and adulterers. (Hebrews 13:4, New English Translation)

Why does God care about sex?

Husbands. . . love your wives, just as Christ loved the church. He gave up his life for her. (Ephesians 5:25, NLT)

As the Scriptures say, 'A man leaves his father and mother and is joined to his wife, and the two are united into one.' This is a great mystery, but it is an illustration of the way Christ and the church are one. (Ephesians 5:31–32, NLT)

- God cares about keeping marriage pure because it's a picture of His love for us!

Let us be glad and rejoice, and let us give honor to him. For the time has come for the wedding feast of the Lamb [that's Jesus!], and his bride has prepared herself. (Revelation 19:7, NLT)

Marriage is for people here on earth. But in the age to come, those worthy of being raised from the dead will neither marry nor be given in marriage. (Luke 20:34–35, NLT)

What went wrong with sex?

They traded the truth about God for a lie. So they worshiped and served the things God created instead of the Creator himself, who is worthy of eternal praise! Amen. (Romans 1:25, NLT)

- We worship sex, instead of the God who created it!

What about homosexuality?

Don't you know that the unrighteous will not inherit God's kingdom? Do not be deceived: No sexually immoral people, idolaters, adulterers, or anyone practicing homosexuality. (1 Corinthians 6:9 NLT)

1. The Bible lists homosexual behavior as sin.

No thieves, greedy people, drunkards, verbally abusive people, or swindlers will inherit God's kingdom. (1 Corinthians 6:10 NLT)

2. It is not the worst sin.

And some of you used to be like this. 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 6:11, Holman Christian Standard Bible)

3. Your sin does not have to define you.

Now all glory to God, who is able to keep you from falling away and will bring you with great joy into his glorious presence without a single fault. (Jude 1:24, NLT)

Confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. (James 5:16, NLT)