

What The Bible Says about SEX

(Part 1)

Introduction:

Genesis 2:21-25

From the beginning, God instituted marriage to be a monogamous (one spouse) and heterosexual union.

Satan ruins things in 2 ways:

Perversion: He twists (distorts) God's design

Obsession: He places too much emphasis on something

Part 1: The Physical Relationship of Marriage

I Corinthians 7:1-9

Definitions of "Love" in the Greek language

- 1) "Storge" - A loyal/family love
- 2) "Philia" - An affectionate/friendship love (Titus 2:4; Heb.13:1)
- 3) "Agape" - A self-giving love
- 4) "Eros" - A physical/sensual love (This word is not found in the N.T.)

Two wrong extremes existed in Corinth:

- 1) Eroticism - To please the flesh at all cost (no absolutes) (cp. I Peter 4:1-5)
- 2) Asceticism - To view anything enjoyable or physical as being evil (cp. Colossians 2:20-23)

***God's people must know what the Bible teaches about sex.**

Principles about sex from I Corinthians 7:1-9

- I. **Sex prior to marriage is sin (v. 2)**
(wrong time for sex)
- II. **Sex apart from marriage is sin (v. 2)**
(wrong kind of sex)
- III. **Sexual relations within marriage are clean, good, and wholesome (v.2-3).**
- IV. **Sexual relations within marriage are to be regularly participated in (v. 3)**
- V. **Sexual relations are to be unselfish (v. 3 & 4)**
Fornication & adultery are lies. Such sexual unions are expressing a oneness which does not truly exist.
- VI. **There is to be no sexual bargaining (controlling or manipulating) (v. 5)**
- VII. **A couple must seek to keep each other sexually satisfied to decrease the chances of Satan tempting in the area of lack of self-control (v. 5)**