

Doctrine of Biblical Sex

1. Some people who are addicted to sex embrace it as a “god.”
2. Some people who have been adversely affected or taught negatively about sex find it a deficient if not a deviant practice.
 - The Stoics, influenced by Plato’s duality between body and soul, or between the physical and the spiritual. The Stoics believed that self-pleasure should be denied.
 - Tertullian and Ambrose, two church fathers, said they preferred the extinction of the human race to marital intercourse.
 - Origen castrated himself.
 - During the Victorian Age modesty was promoted to the extreme of covering up the legs of a table or adding animal paws to the end.
3. Some people who have been well taught and are biblically grounded are free to view sex as a gift of God to be used in a variety of ways.
 - For procreation. *Genesis 1:22 And God blessed them, saying, Be fruitful, and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let fowl multiply in the earth.*
 - For personal pleasure. *Hebrews 13:4 Marriage is honourable in all, and the bed undefiled: but whoremongers and adulterers God will judge.*
 - For intimacy. *Song of Solomon 1:2 Let him kiss me with the kisses of his mouth: for thy love is better than wine.*
 - For comfort. *2 Samuel 12:24 And David comforted Bath-sheba his wife, and went in unto her, and lay with her: and she bare a son, and he called his name Solomon: and the Lord loved him.*
 - For protection. *1 Corinthians 7:1 Now concerning the things whereof ye wrote unto me: It is good for a man not to touch a woman. 2 Nevertheless, to avoid fornication, let every man have his own wife, and let every woman have her own husband.*
4. Sex as the gift of God before sin is first mentioned in the book of Genesis.
 - *Genesis 2:18 And the Lord God said, It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him an help meet for him. 19 And out of the ground the Lord God formed every beast of the field, and every fowl of the air; and brought them unto Adam to see what he would call them: and whatsoever Adam called every living creature, that was the name thereof. 20 And Adam gave names to all cattle, and to the fowl of the air, and to every beast of the field; but for Adam there was not found an help meet for him.*

21 And the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon Adam and he slept: and he took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh instead thereof; 22 And the rib, which the Lord God had taken from man, made he a woman, and brought her unto the man. 23 And Adam said, This is now bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh: she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man. 24 Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh. 25 And they were both naked, the man and his wife, and were not ashamed.

5. Sex is to be confined to the context of marriage which is the hearth that contains and controls all the power and flaming passions of sexuality.

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Special Note.

Inappropriate sex before marriage is fornication. Inappropriate sex after marriage is called adultery. Aberrant expressions of sex such as homosexuality, lesbianism, orgies, and bestiality are prohibited.

6. Care must be taken to guard the heart against sexual improprieties.

- *Job 31:1 I made a covenant with mine eyes; why then should I think upon a maid?*

7. Sex is for oneness and is not to be accompanied by shame.

Special Note.

If there is behavior that makes a person ashamed, unloved, not respected, exploited, forced, disgusted, or abused, then that behavior is to be avoided for it violates the principle of oneness. Sometime where there is freedom to engage in certain behavior it is not wise to do so.

8. The subject of sex is a biblical subject. The Bible has much to say about it reflected in the Song of Solomon and so it should be openly addressed just like any other biblical matter.

- *2 Timothy 3:16 All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:*