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**What The Bible Teaches About Sex**

**SERIES ITINERARY**

**Part 1: Sex Is Pleasing In God’s Sight.**

The Church has given the perception that sex is impure. This is not true. God wants us to see that sex is pleasing to Him.

**Part 2: Defining The Forbidden Fruit.**

Many believe that Fornication means to have sex before marriage. Is this true? We must learn what Fornication is and why God forbids it.

**Part 3: The Context Sex Is Permitted.**

When sex is practiced in the wrong context it is against God’s will. We must prepare to practice sex in the setting God says, not as we wish.

**Part 4: Protection From Uncleanness.**

Satan will tempt us to disobey the Lord. We must be prepared and guard against the temptation of Fornication.

**Part 5: A Warning For The Rebel.**

For those who are in intentional rebellion against God’s commands and instructions, and continue to practice Fornication, will face consequences for their actions. We want to spare others of this tragedy.

**Part 6: Help For the Fallen.**

Those of us who have already fallen and are struggling need help not condemnation. We need help to take steps for restoration.



Part 1: Sex Is Pleasing In God’s Sight

Genesis 2:18 – 25 Part 1

Genesis 1:31 tells us, *“God saw all that He had made and it was very good”*. The word for “Good” has two meanings. First, it means something that is beneficial, see Acts 14:15. Secondly, it means something that is pleasing, satisfying, or delightful, see Genesis 3:6. God says that sex is beneficial but it is also pleasing.

**Background**

Genesis 1 is an overview of the creation account. It tells about what happened within the six days of the creation story. Genesis 2 explains in greater detail about the creation of the man and woman.

**Into The Lesson**

**Vs. 18 – 20. *“…It is not good for the man to be alone…”.*** With all that God had created in the six days, this is the only thing mentioned that God said was *not* good: man is not meant to be alone. The word “*alone*” means to be separated or isolated, see Genesis 21:28; Psalm 51:4. The phrase, *“by themselves”* or *“only”* show that they were isolated or separated from the rest. In Genesis 2:18, it shows that Adam was an isolated being, he was by himself. The rest of God’s creation was not alone. They were able to relate to others of the same kind. But man did not have this privilege. He was the only one of his kind.

**God does not want us to be alone. He wants us to have relationships with others.** Through relationships we can be encouraged, healed, and corrected, see James 5:19 – 20. However the concern with relationships is the problems they bring. Forgiveness is essential to good relationships. We are all sinful beings who do things that can offend others. When this happens we must learn to forgive and restore relationships so we and others will not be by ourselves or alone.

**Vs. 18 – 20. *“I will make a helper suitable for him,.. for Adam no suitable helper was found”.*** To cure the isolation and aloneness man experienced, God made a helper suitable for him. It would be someone of his own kind who would be a helper, an assistant, or provide aid for him, see John 14:26; Romans 8:26; 1 Corinthians 12:7. In the same way the Holy Spirit lives inside the Christian to help him serve God, the helper God gave to Adam Was given to help him accomplish God’s will. It must be understood that the primary role of a woman is to help the man accomplish God’s agenda. The will of God is that they together be responsible to repopulate the earth, work the garden, and satisfy one another’s aloneness. This is why submission and care is necessary for healthy relationships, see Ephesians 5:22 – 31. Abuse, isolation, resistance and disrespect leads to dysfunctional relationships. The helper provided would be suitable. Suitable here means *“opposite”* or *“counter to”*. Job 10:17 uses the same word but the English word “against” is used to show that Job’s witnesses opposed him. In Genesis it shows that the woman has opposite traits than the man. Though the woman and the man have opposite traits they are to learn to correspond together to accomplish a goal. It is strange that when we look for a mate we look for someone who is just like us. We want them to have the same interests and even behaviors as we have. Though God made us to be the same species we all have different traits and qualities.

**As we conclude part one, let’s highlight some principles of application from our study.**

1. **Isolation is not good.**  We need human relationships to function well.
2. **Men and women are equal but have different roles.** Men and women are equal beings. Men are not better, smarter, superior, or more gifted than women and vice versa. They have different roles.
3. **Men and women are different.** Though they are of the same species, they are different in many ways.
4. **Men and women must learn to work together.** This does not only apply to marriage but in all human relationships. Men and women are not enemies nor should they see themselves this way. They are co – laborers who are working together to build a thriving society.