**Concerning Human Sexuality
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**I. Instruction**

Eph. 5:3 - But fornication, and all uncleanness, or covetousness, let it not be once named among you, as becometh saints;

**II. Explanation**

*Pornea* – Fornication, adultery, sexual immorality

 *Akathartos –* Uncleanness, impurity, filthiness

 *Pleonexia* – Covetousness (a desire for more), greediness

**III. Explication**

Gen. 2:24 - Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh.

 Prov. 5:15-20 – drink water form you own cistern…rejoice with the wife of your youth…

 I Cor. 7:1-2 … It is good for a man not to touch a woman. Nevertheless, to avoid fornication, let every man have his own wife, and let every woman have her own husband.

 Mt.5:28.. whosoever looks on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart.

 Titus 2:4-5 - That they may teach the young women to be…discreet, chaste…

 I Tim.2:9 …that the women adorn themselves in modest apparel…

I Thess. 4:3-4 ..this is the will of God, even your sanctification, that ye should abstain from fornication: That every one of you should know how to possess his vessel in sanctification..

Hence – All aspects of the sexual relationship (desire, presentation, pursuit, and consummation) are designed solely for the context of marriage)

**IV. Exacerbation**

Gen. 6:5 - And God saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.

 Matt. 15:19 – for out of the heart proceedeth evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications…

Rom. 5:5-8 For they that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh; but they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit. For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace.Because the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be. So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God.

 Gal. 5:19 – now the works of the flesh are evident: adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lewdness.

Gal. 5:17 - or the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would.

Hence – Man in his fallen state is innately predisposed toward sexual sin. Illegitimate desire, presentation, pursuit and consummation are endemic to hi nature. The outworking of this sexual sin is only restrained by the grace of God.

**V. Illustrations for Contemplation**

A. From the Bible

 Lev. 18:1-30 …for by all these nations are defiled…

Jer. 5:7-8 - … they then committed adultery, and assembled themselves by troops in the harlots' houses. They were as fed horses in the morning: every one neighed after his neighbour's wife.

Ez. 22:11 - And one hath committed abomination with his neighbour's wife; and another hath lewdly defiled his daughter in law; and another in thee hath humbled his sister, his father's daughter.

Is. 3:16 - Moreover the Lord saith, Because the daughters of Zion are haughty, and walk with stretched forth necks and wanton eyes, walking and mincing as they go, and making a tinkling with their feet:

 Prov. 7:10 - And, behold, there met him a woman with the attire of an harlot, and subtil of heart.

 II Pet. 2:14 …having eyes full of adultery and that cannot cease from sin…

 B. From History

 - The treatment of women in non-Christianized cultures **/** Rampant pornography (internet, advertising, video games) **/** Sexualization of young girls **/**Men vs women’s fashions **/** Lives of powerful men, kings, and tyrants

**VI. Caution**

Lev. 18:25 - And the land is defiled: therefore I do visit the iniquity thereof upon it, and the land itself vomiteth out her inhabitants.

Prov. 5-8 – bitter…sharp as two edged sword…death…hell…reduced to a crust of bread…as an ox goes to the slaughter…cost him his life…the way to hell…the chambers of death…

I Cor. 6:9-10 - Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind, Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God.

**VII. Solution**

Rom. 13:14 – But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh…

Eph. 4:25 - Wherefore putting away lying, speak every man truth with his neighbour…

Matt. 10:28 - And fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul…

 Matt. 5:29And if thy right eye offend thee, pluck it out, and cast it from thee…

 Matt. 18:6 But whoso shall offend one of these little ones which believe in me, it were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and that he were drowned in the depth of the sea.

 I Pet. 2:24Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed.