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Sunday, April 17, 2016

**“THE SEX TALK”**

(2 Timothy 4:1-8)

Our *Family Matters* series has addressed a variety of topics that impact modern family life. Today’s topic certainly impacts our daily lives and our families. We will survey current issues and topics of concern and focus on Christlike response to our sexually-charged world.

*“Speak the truth in love”* (Ephesians 4:15, ESV).

*“And Pharisees came up to him and tested him by asking, “Is it lawful to divorce one’s wife for any cause?” He answered, “Have you not read that he who created them from the beginning made them male and female, and said, ‘Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh’? So they are no longer two but one flesh. What therefore God has joined together, let not man separate”* (Matthew 19:3-6, ESV).

*“Submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ. Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. For the husband is the head of the wife even as Christ is the head of the church, his body, and is himself its Savior. Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit in everything to their husbands. Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, so that he might present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish. In the same way husbands should love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ does the church, because we are members of his body. “Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.” This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the church. However, let each one of you love his wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband”* (Ephesians 5:21-33, ESV).

*“For this is the will of God, your sanctification: that you abstain from sexual immorality”* (1 Thessalonians 4:3, ESV).

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**PORNOGRAPHY**

*“Now the serpent was more crafty than any other”* (Genesis 3:1, ESV).

**COHABITATION**

**PREMARITAL SEX**

**ADULTERY**

*“You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall not commit adultery.’ But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lustful intent has already committed adultery with her in his heart”* (Matthew 5:27-28, ESV).

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*“God wants you to be holy, so you should keep clear of all sexual sin”* (1 Thessalonians 4:3, NLT).

*“teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness”* (2 Timothy 3:16, ESV).

*“You have been grieved by various trials, so that the tested genuineness of your faith—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ”* (1 Peter 1:6-7, ESV).

*“Speak the truth in love”* (Ephesians 4:15, ESV).

*“Let him who is without sin among you be the first to throw a stone at her”* (John 8:7, ESV).

*“From now on sin no more”* (John 8:11, NIV).

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