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Relationships 101
Sex 101
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1 Corinthians 6

Sex is ___ God's ___ idea ___ and it's a good idea.
Genesis 1:27-28 Gen 2:21-25

I choose to honor God with my ___ body ___.
1 Cor 6:19-20 Rom 12:1 Heb 13:4

I choose to control my ___ thought ___ life ___.
Mark 7:20-23 Matt 5:27-29

I choose to avoid my ___ known ___ temptations.
1 Cor 10:12-14 1Co 6:18

I choose to ___ trust ___ ___ God ___ with my sex life.
Rom 12:2 Is 1:18

How would you describe the current cultural perspective on sex?
Have you found a time when you bought into this perspective?

Read I Thessalonians 4:1- 2

There are two ways to live: one way is pleasing self, the other way is pleasing God. When it comes to sexual purity, how does knowing who we please help us to live lives of purity?
Pleasing God is the motivation, then why do you think even Christians have such a difficult time staying sexually pure?

Read I Thessalonians 4:3 - 5

What are some consequences to having "passionate lusts like the heathen who do not know God" (vs. 5).

Why is it important to control ourselves sexually within marriage?

What happens when sexuality does not have any boundaries? What happens to marriages, to children, to our spirits, to our bodies?

If God is saying through Paul that we are able to control our bodies, then Satan must be saying the opposite.

How do you think has Satan used the world to program us with sex lies?

What beliefs about sex are regularly promoted on television and in movies?

Which of Satan's sex lies have you believed?
How does Satan deceive Christians into believing his lies?

Sexual Immorality is any sex outside of marriage. God ways avoid it. The word avoid is the same as abstain.

Since God created us to be sexual by nature, how did you feel or how do you feel now about being expected to abstain from something that makes up who we are?

How can abstinence be possible in today's society?

Do you think it's more difficult for men than women and should that matter at all? What would you say to a person who is struggling with abstinence?

Verse 6 says "The Lord will punish men for all such sins.

Why do you think Paul mentions such severe punishments for sexual immorality? Are these punishments more severe than for other sins? What effect should these warnings have on Christians?

What are some evidences we see of such punishment today? Why does it appear that this has little effect on the sexual activity of our culture and of the Christian population?

Read I Corinthians 10:13

What insights do we get about temptations from this passage?

How does this scripture give you courage in your temptation?

Final thought:

For what sexual sins do you need to repent? Agree with God about your sins and thank Him for his forgiveness. Ask God to give you a spiritual discernment to recognize and reject any sex lies you have believed. Depend on the Holy Spirit to empower you to overcome future sexual temptations.