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"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age." Matthew 28:19-20

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#### "Christian Ethics - PORNOGRAPHY"



## **♦ Objective**

To understand the biblical view of sexuality, confront the dangers of pornography, and explore how therapeutic help (including counseling and medical treatment) can honor God's design for healing sexual dysfunction.



# Key Scriptures

# 1. God's Design for Sexuality

- Genesis 2:24-25 "That is why a man leaves his father and mother and is united to his wife, and they become one flesh."
- 1 Corinthians 6:18-20 "Flee from sexual immorality... your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit..."

### 2. Warning Against Lust & Pornography

- Matthew 5:27-28 "...anyone who looks at a woman lustfully has already committed adultery with her in his heart."
- **Ephesians 5:3** "But among you there must not be even a hint of sexual immorality..."

## 3. Hope, Healing, and Renewal

• Romans 12:1-2 – "Offer your bodies as a living sacrifice... be transformed by the renewing of your mind."

• James 5:16 – "Confess your sins... and pray for each other so that you may be healed."



Discussion: Understanding Pornography

#### What is it?

Pornography is any material (visual, written, or audio) intended to cause sexual arousal outside of God's design.

# Why is it harmful?

- Warps our understanding of real intimacy.
- Promotes objectification and unrealistic expectations.
- Creates addiction-like patterns in the brain.
- Damages relationships, especially marriages.
- Violates God's command to pursue purity and love.

### Biblical Response:

- Call to holiness (1 Thessalonians 4:3-5).
- Lust is not just physical but spiritual.
- God's grace covers all sin, but true repentance leads to transformation.

Healing from Sexual Dysfunction – Therapy is Not Taboo Sexual dysfunction can stem from psychological, emotional, relational, or physical causes. Examples include:

- Low libido
- Erectile dysfunction
- Vaginismus
- Performance anxiety
- Past sexual trauma

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Excerpts from: GotQuestions.org

# Therapy Options That Can Honor God:

- Biblical Counseling: Addresses spiritual and relational issues with Scripture-based guidance.
- Christian Sex Therapy: Combines clinical knowledge with biblical values to address intimacy and function.
- Medical Help: Doctors and licensed therapists can treat physiological conditions—medicine isn't unspiritual (see Luke 10:34).

# Important Biblical Principle:

• Proverbs 11:14 – "Where there is no guidance, a people falls, but in an abundance of counselors there is safety."

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