

What is Sex?

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I. Introduction.

A. Text: Genesis 2:18-25.

B. The hunger for the world today is for affirmations--there is nothing much accomplished until there is a positive declaration on something.

C. This text has a positive declaration on sex.

II. The great facts about sex which every human should know.

A. Sex is God-given.

1. Satan can offer nothing in the sexual realm but distortion and hollowness.
2. God made man with sex in mind.
3. God likes sex, and He intends His creatures to like it too.
4. Both libertinism and Victorianism are wrong with regard to sex.

B. Sex in humans is different than it is in animals.

1. Nothing in animal life corresponded to man.
2. He was looking for something like this, which is indicated by man's reaction when women were brought to him.

C. Sex is a total psychophysical whole, and it therefore causes a deep experience.

1. Man and woman are separated and are never complete until they find union with each other.
2. Sex is involved in every part of the person's life.
3. There is mystery in sex--it is so deeply rooted in human nature that it cannot be treated on the physical level alone.

D. Sex is regulated and purposeful.

1. Since sex is so total it is intended to be fulfilled under conditions that make a total union possible--in marriage.
2. The husband and wife are supposed to give everything that they are and have in the marriage relationship.

3. Lives are intended to blend until they become almost indistinguishable.
4. Anything short of this is destructive.
5. God's love and concern for humanity makes Him forbid sex outside of marriage.
 - a. The wrath of God, which is the deterioration of life, falls upon those who do not adhere to these restrictions.
 - b. God gives us these restrictions to protect us and value humanity.
 - c. Sex loses its ecstatic nature outside of marriage. Within marriage it provides a unique ecstasy that cannot be mimicked elsewhere.
 - d. There is a total knowing of one another in sex.
 - e. Nakedness means a total knowing of one another.

III. In Christian homes it is possible to live out God's original intent for sex in beautiful union.

Application questions:

1. What are some of the misconceptions the world has about sex? Explain.

2. Why does God put restrictions upon sex?

3. Purity is becoming increasingly difficult in our society. How will you commit yourself to purity daily?
