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SEX EDUCATION

Romans 3:10 *As it is written, There is none righteous, no, not one: 11 There is none that understandeth, there is none that seeketh after God. 12 They are all gone out of the way, they are together become unprofitable; there is none that doeth good, no, not one.*

Those who deny the clear teaching of the word of God claim that each man has enough good within him that with enough education in the facts of a matter, he will make the right decision. However, Paul quotes Psalms 14, telling us that such an assumption is contrary to the Word of God. And God should know He made us.

Some time ago, the Indianapolis Star had an account of a survey in Greenwood, I believe. They asked the parents of school age kids about sex education, and a surprising majority said they wanted more sex ed in the schools. So let me give a course on **Sex Education** this morning. Now, I realize that to do this right in the world's eyes, this course should probably run at least 500 hours that is, a few hours a week for at least 12 years.

But we will restrict ourselves to what the public perception was until about 50 years ago. Thus the sum total of our **Sex Education** course can be found in,

Hebrews 13:4, *Marriage is honourable in all, and the bed undefiled: but whoremongers and adulterers God will judge.*

We are being over-whelmed on every side with the need of proper sex education, so kids can have safe sex.

"Christian" authors make **good money** with books about sex education from a Bible view point.

The government schools see their calling **not to teach** the basics of math, language, science, &c. Rather, they see their calling as teaching social skills, with the emphasis on the facts about sex and drugs.

The media overwhelms us with the supposed joys of fornication and adultery.

As we listen to the Christian authors, secular educators and the media, one would question how the human race ever survived before sex education and seat belts. Who cares if Johnny can read or write as long as he knows how to have safe sex and fastens his seat belt.

Undoubtedly, there are many sincere Christians and pastors who are being influenced by the world's idea that with enough information, man will make the right decision, which is totally contrary to the clear teaching of God's word.

Personally, I believe that the word of God gives all that a young person or an adult needs to know regarding this or any area of life.

Maybe we should have titled this essay, and advertised How to teach our children about sex, or How to have safe sex, or even What God says about sex. As long as it has the word **SEX** emphasized, I could charge \$10.00, and maybe make a few dollars. But I will present it for free today.

Hebrews 13:4 stood for thousands of years as a successful course in **Sex Education**, so let us look at it for a few moments. It is probably old hat to about everyone. So all I would like to do is confront the tremendous public indoctrination that is going on around us in the church as well as in the world in the area of sex education with some sound, plain Scriptural principles.

Let me give three simple points from Hebrews 13:4:

FIRST, marriage.

Marriage is instituted by God. God defines a family as a man and woman united together in the marriage covenant. The first marriage was between Adam and Eve in the Garden, and it was preformed by God Himself.

A family unit is not a man and woman living together without this ceremony.

Such an arrangement has **only** been considered by the wicked as a family in the last couple of decades. Living together is **sin**, and it has God's judgment against it---*whoremongers and adulterers God will judge*. The woman who does it is a **whore**, and the man who does it is a **whoremonger**, and God promises to judge everyone **involved** in that wickedness. Not only will He judge the **individuals**, but He will judge a society that condones whoredoms.

The Lord God clearly defines the whore, whoremonger and harlot **THEY ARE PEOPLE WHO ENGAGE IN SEX OUTSIDE OF THE MARRIAGE COVENANT**. The terms whore and whoremonger are not restricted for those who **use their bodies** for a fee. God told Old Testament Israel that **she paid** her lovers to come to her. He identified her actions as whoredoms. In fact, if you will look up the term **whore** and **whoredom**, you will find that the words **overwhelmingly describe** a people who have departed from the truth of God's word.

IN OTHER WORDS, throughout Scripture, God **identifies** the **departure** from His word, such as **denial** of the validity of passages such as Romans 3:10-13, as **whoredoms**. And we can fully expect the spiritual activity of **whoredoms** in the church to reveal itself in the public acceptance of literal **whoredoms**.

ILLUSTRATION:

SEVENTH HEAVEN is a popular, so called family show. From what I understand, it is about a pastor's family, and their trials and tribulations as they go about their daily lives. The teen age high school son has as long of hair as does Christiana, although it is scraggly. I happened to see part of a show this past week. I got in on it as long haired preacher's son knocked on his beautiful blond girlfriend's door. It took a while for her to come to the door, and when she came, she had her sweatshirt on wrong side out and backwards. In a few moments, the boy who was in the room with her came to the door. He was very clean cut, and had his shirt unbuttoned.

On every side, our young people are sold on the **joys of sex** outside of marriage.

On every side, our young people are told that sex outside of marriage makes a boy a man, and makes a girl a mature woman.

However, sex outside of marriage make the boy a **whoremonger**, and the girl a **whore**.

These are strong terms, and they **sound dirty and nasty**, which they are.

SEXUALLY ACTIVE

The English language has gone through some major revisions. The new English identifies **whoreing around** as **Sexually Active**. But the question is not "Is he or she sexually active?" The question is, "Is he or she whoring around?"

The **foundation** of society is the marriage and the family unit. When this foundation is not supported and adhered to, collapse **must** follow, Psalms 11:3 *If the foundations be destroyed, what can the righteous do?* The only thing *the righteous* can do is flee to the mountain, the word of God. Draw closer to Him.

Also, a family unit is **not two sodomites** living together; this is an **abomination** to God, and those who persist in it are as deserving of the death penalty as are those who whore around. God leaves no doubt as to what He thinks about sodomy (Romans chp. 1). Again, if a society condones this as an **alternative life-style**, God will judge the society.

There are at least two reasons why God will judge the society: **First**, it is a **direct attack** upon God's created order, male or female. **Second**, because it goes against commanded law-order, marriage. If Christians will not fight against sex apart from marriage, they cannot fight against abortions and sodomy.

Second, Marriage is honourable.

The Church of Rome holds celibacy as the superior way. Paul, even as a single man set aside for God's purpose, says that marriage is the **honorable** way. Marriage is the **superior** way. If it had been more honorable or superior to be celibate, Adam would have not had a wife. God's perfect plan is that a man and woman covenant together in marriage.

Marital misery is not God's way; it is a result of the tempter's evil work. The misery we see ruling in marriage relationships today is a result of people (both men and women) giving themselves over to the lust of the flesh, lust of the eye and the pride of life.

Marriage is honorable, and any doctrine that teaches a better way must be **contrary** to the word of God. Yes, Paul was "celibate," but it was clearly for a special purpose which God had ordained for him. Moses was married, as were the members of the Old Testament priesthood, and those requirements are carried over to the New Testament pastors, **1 Timothy 3**.

The Papal System and its priesthood that developed over the past 1,400 years is a perversion. It is as unBiblical and ungodly as concubines, and it has God's judgment against it.

Marriage is an honorable condition of life. Abstaining from marriage (therefore sex), is not more honorable nor is it a more pure way of life. From what we hear of those who pride themselves in being **celibate, aren't**. History has proved that the "celibate" priesthood has continually had its whores on the side, or even its sodomite boys and lovers. Yet people still follow after that corrupt system.

Third, marriage is honorable in all, and the marriage bed undefiled.

We are continually told of the need of **proper sex education**. The cry comes from both Christians and non-Christians alike. (We do need proper sex education, and the word of God gives us that education.)

The social planners tell us that because of a lack of proper sex education, we have **numerous cases of teen pregnancies**, and the number continues to increase. Mothers (unwed teen mothers in this case) are **murdering** their babies because they don't have proper sex education. (Note that though a woman may murder her unborn child, but she is still a mother.)

We hear further that because there is a lack of proper sex education, there is an **epidemic of AIDS** which, if unchecked, will cover the earth, destroying about 1/3 of the world population.

We hear that We must teach our kids safe sex in order to avoid the growing list of social ills and diseases which are stemming from unsafe sex. And I must agree with that statement, but **not the Politically Correct** agreement. Safe sex must be taught in the home and church. And because **safe sex** is not being taught, we have a crises on our hands.

The secular crowd is crying **more education about sex**, and start it in kindergarten. What in the world can you teach about sex for 12 years?

From the little I know of Scripture, we need to teach our kids about safe sex. And the devil's crowd is right both the pulpits and the parents have failed to teach **safe sex**. And that crowd has taken over this most intimate and personal matter that should be left up to the parents and churches.

The pulpit and the parents must give a very **intensive sex education** course if we expect to save our kids. We must take every precaution to see that they have safe sex.

Personally, I think you will have a **problem improving** on the word of God for proper sex education, and, really, if we listen to and believe all of the "hype" even from the so called Christian community, we would wonder how Mary, the mother of Jesus, survived her younger years. Or Joseph, for that matter. How **did these godly saints of old survive** without Dodson's books around or any one of the numerous other "Christian psychologists"? I sure don't know how humanity survived before **psychology** developed. What has happened to pastoral counseling and Christian theologians in these areas?

If a person is old enough to read and they are unmarried, we need to give them a very in-depth Biblical and

theological course in **safe sex** education. It is the responsibility of the parents and of the teachers of God's word.

"Is the pastor going to give us the Biblical method of using birth control devices?"

Yes.

"Is he going to give the Biblical method of safe sex?"

Yes.

In fact, let me paint for you a very **graphic and vivid picture of Biblical sex education**. Really it boils down to **two very easily understood points**, (and very graphic, I might add). Teach this in our kids, and if it is adhered to, I guarantee (money back), perfect results. This goes for boys and girls alike.

1. **Before marriage. Hands off.** Avoid dangerous situations where you are alone with another of the opposite sex. ("But that's old fashion. I want to enjoy life. I don't want to be left out of the good times. I won't smoke, because that will harm my body. But whoredoms that's a different story.

ILLUSTRATION:

Christina and I were talking with a couple yesterday (February 24, 2001). The husband was shocked that his own father, who is 70, has totally changed his opinion of marriage, and after his mother died, started living with a woman. As this man grew up in his home, his parents, both father and mother, were very clear **NO SEX OUTSIDE OR MARRIAGE**. And now he cannot believe the about-face taken by his father.

He also told us that his father has **completely changed** his stand on the word of God. While he was at home, his dad took a strong stand for the Bible, even throwing his brother's friend out of the house for denying the authority of the Bible. But now he openly denies the Bible's authority to identify good and evil.

Probably one of the saddest things we see are parents who **don't want their kids to miss out on the good time years**. They want them to "**enjoy**" those years, so they make the **provisions** for them. They even send them to college, expecting them to live it up.

These parents will be judged by God for making it convenient for their kids to "have a good time", partying, drinking, drugs and sex. Even though they may say that they **don't condone** those things, they put their stamp of approval upon them by making it convenient for their kids to do them. What makes parents think their kids are different today than the parents were when they were that age?

2. Our second sex education point: **After marriage, anything goes**, and they will soon learn what they need to know by experience.

Can you imagine stretching this **two point** Scriptural outline out over a eight or more years in school?

The word of God is very clear anything that **arouses unrighteous desires is wrong**, PERIOD. **Sex outside of marriage** is whoredoms. It is **wicked**. It is ungodly. It leads to terrible results because it has the judgment of God against it. The only **safe sex** is described in our text, Hebrews 13:4. Anything else is whoreing around, and God will judge it.

Within marriage, the bed is undefiled. It is holy and honorable. It is nothing to be ashamed of nor embarrassed over. Paul also deals with the marriage bed over in 1 Corinthians 7:4, *The wife hath not power of her own body, but the husband: and likewise also the husband hath not power of his own body, but the wife*. This makes any "marital rape" bill a **direct attack** against God and His word.

Our problems are not **assault rifles**; the problem is the assaults on God and His word.

In Hebrews 13, we are given practical applications of the faith that has been discussed for the previous 12 chapters.

1.) 1 Corinthians 6:9. Those who can pursue an ungodly life style and God not deal with them are not saved. They shall not inherit the kingdom of God. God is very clear on this.

2.) Hebrews 13:3, Genuine love will look out for the best for the other person.

The girl says to the boy, "I love you". The boy says, "prove it". The proof of love is **waiting** until after marriage to do anything. Then and only then is anything permitted. **Whoredom** is not a proof of love. Whoredom is a **proof of wicked, ungodly** lust, and it is usually proof of the **need of salvation**. More often than not, when a young person says, "I love you", it is more like, "I lust for you". Now that the sex education course is over, let's look at the last point here:

Hebrews 13:4 *But whoremongers and adulterers God will judge.*

Sex outside of marriage will be judged. This is Bible theology. Paul has already warned that our God is a consuming fire. In fact, **Hebrews 10:31** says, *It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.* Then just before chapter 13, we are told that *our God is a consuming fire*, 12:29. Clearly, whoredom places a person into those hands of God.

Here in v. 4, we are left with **no doubt** as to what God will do. He will judge those who **follow after immorality**. Whether it is uncontrolled thoughts or actions, the immoral person will not avoid the results. God will judge the immoral thought life also.

These sins of immorality are everywhere. **Both us as adults and our children have been desensitized to the seriousness of sex outside of marriage.** The message is that sex is not much more than a casual exchange between friends, maybe like a kiss.

The enemy uses the world and the flesh to convenience us that sex outside of marriage is OK. Yet, God is clear. His judgment is AGAINST these moral sins. They are **whordoms**. And it needs to be proclaimed from the homes and churches today.

"**Faith doesn't affect student sex behavior**, poll finds, said a headline in the top of page A-2 of the Indianapolis Star, 5/29/89. Is it any wonder that **Faith doesn't affect student sex behavior** when neither the parents nor the pulpits will take a stand against whoredoms? Until we return to enforcing Biblical principles, we will continue on in this immortal, ungodly mess which we have today, as we rush toward our own destruction

Hosea 13:9 ¶ *O Israel, thou hast destroyed thyself; but in me is thine help.*

Immorality (whether mental or physical), is wicked. Whatever takes place within the marriage covenant has God's blessings upon it. The only safe sex is sex within the marriage covenant.

We had better get back to, teaching and enforcing proper **sex education**:

1) Before marriage. Hands off. These things lead to whoredom and adultery.

2) After marriage. Go for it (between husband and wife). Do *whatever* is agreeable between the two, and it is honorable before God.