

ADAM AND EVE WERE HUSBAND AND WIFE

When God first made human beings He created Adam and Eve and brought them together as husband and wife. Of their union together it is written: 'For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and they will become one flesh' (Genesis 2:24). Eve is continuously referred to as Adam's wife (Genesis 2:25; 3:8,17,20-21).

Adam tried to be a good husband to his wife and when they had children he wanted to bring them up in the righteous ways of the LORD. But how would Eve have felt if there had been other naked women in the Garden of Eden and Adam's eyes had begun to wander towards them? It would have brought about jealousy and all kinds of problems, so from the very beginning God established faithfulness in marriage and they did not face any sexual temptation.

What if Adam had said to God, "I don't love Eve anymore; make me a new woman"? What if Adam had wanted many wives or later he began to secretly molest his children? What if Adam had forced his children to become prostitutes or he made pornographic pictures of them to sell. Or what if Adam had said, "I want to have sex with a man"? It would have been an abomination.

Thankfully Adam did none of these wicked things, and it would have seemed unimaginable that such evil could have ever entered the world. Yet over time all these evil abominations have come about because of man's willful rebellion towards his Creator.

'Marriage should be honoured by all, and the marriage bed kept pure, for God will judge the

adulterer and all the sexually immoral' (Hebrews 13:4).

THE WORLD IS POLLUTED BY SEXUAL IMMORALITY

This pollution includes fornication or pre-marital sex, adultery, sodomy, homosexuality, lesbianism, transvestitism, incest, molestation, rape, filling your mind with pornography, and all forms of sexual exploitation.

It is a sin to desire another person's wife. Those who sell pornographic material are evil. Immoral dancing and the unwarranted nudity that is portrayed through the media, promotes impurity and adds sin to sin. Behind a lot of modern music there is a spirit of lust, which is deceiving the people. Those who pour out adultery in their films or songs will soon be eternally lost souls unless they repent and do what is right. Love songs should promote faithfulness in marriage, as well as the importance of no sex before marriage.

The depths of human depravity are shocking. Having sex with animals is a terrible and wicked abomination that makes people unclean and defiled. Oral sex is perverted sex. It is a filthy practice and men should never practice it on their wives or with prostitutes. Some are forced against their wills to do atrocious sexual acts and Jesus has mercy for them, but he who causes these kinds of sexual slavery must see the error of their ways. Other detestable immoral sins include polyandry, which occurs in some cultures when two or more brothers share the same woman.

'Flee from sexual immorality. All other sins a man commits are outside his body, but he who sins sexually sins against his own body' (1 Corinthians 6:18).

DO NOT BE DECEIVED BY THE WORLD

Those who are deceived by the world promote sensuality and lust. This is a major reason for the breakdown of the home and marriage. Sex should be cherished and seen as a beautiful act between a husband and a wife. Outside marriage sex falls into lust and debauchery. A husband and wife are ordained by God to give themselves to each other, but to no one else. Sex is for marriage, and those who go against this have gone against the awesome holiness of Almighty God.

Nobody who is living in a sexual relationship outside marriage can enter the heavenly kingdom. All who are sexually immoral will be shut outside God's holy city (Revelation 22:15). If you are living with someone in a sexual relationship who is not your husband or wife, if you die in that condition you have forfeited your change of entering the kingdom of Heaven.

The act of sexual intercourse was created by God for a husband and wife to become one. God created us with the gift and the blessing of sexual desire, but we have to use it in the right way, with the right kind of thinking and boundaries. The apostle Paul talked about women who turn away and follow Satan (2 Timothy 5:14-15). These are the women who were so eager to get a partner that they rushed into a relationship without God's blessing of marriage. Paul counselled them to honour marriage, rather than to fall into such sin.

If you are in a sexual relationship outside marriage, even if there are children, you should stop it instantly, until such time as you can get married and enter a true relationship. Otherwise you have to refrain from sex. It is not the end of the world to refrain from a sexual relationship until you get your life sorted out. Do not worship sex but put it in its rightful place!

Those who accept homosexuality as if it is normal have fallen from the grace of God and believe a lie. You have to realize that homosexuality is a detestable abomination to the LORD (Leviticus 20:13). A sodomite is an active homosexual who uses the back passage of another man for sex. If a person says that he's gay, he is saying that he wants to have sex with a man. He wants to use a man's anus to have sex. That is a filthy abominable practice. Let's be honest about it. God never created sex for that type of perverse behaviour.

There is a false notion which says, "I was born this way. I cannot change." That is a lie. Of course you can change. You can change your sinful heart and mind. You can repent. If you want to enter the kingdom of God, you will have to change your way of thinking. Seek help, godly wisdom, prayer and instruction from the Bible. Those who have homosexual tendencies can be set free by the true and undefiled love of Christ. But you need to be honest and say, "I have got this sin and I am going to repent of it."

Divorce, separation and breaking of marriages are happening so much today that it has become a part of the broken culture. But things have to change, and change comes about by seeing the wickedness of our own hearts. Jesus said that "anyone who divorces his wife, except for marital unfaithfulness, and marries another woman commits adultery" (Matthew 19:9).

Men, is your marriage really right? Are you honouring and respecting your wife? Can you look your children in the eye? Let your heart forever honour the great covenant of marriage. Women, do you love your husband? The older women have to teach the younger women to love their husbands (Titus 2:3-5). Have you learnt to do this right?

Sex outside marriage always does spiritual and emotional damage. It perverts your soul from the fulfilling relationship that God has planned for you. A lack of faithfulness and commitment has caused the marriage relationship to come under a brutal attack. People need to have patience and perseverance to overcome. Sexual immorality causes a terrible breaking of trust. Marriage is the ultimate human relationship and should be entered as a lifelong commitment. Walk in true love and your marriage will be a blessing.

**RECEIVE FORGIVENESS, SALVATION,
AND A NEW LIFE**

Our only hope is that people acknowledge the truth of sexual purity, so that they humble themselves before God in repentance. Then our nation will get back on the right path.

God's offer of mercy and forgiveness is available only to those who turn away from their sins and put their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. For this reason Jesus carried our sins to the cross. Jesus took your punishment by becoming an atoning sacrifice for the sins of the world. He who knew no sin took your sins upon Himself and shed His holy, righteous blood, so that your sins can be washed away.

Turn away from darkness and receive the light of God through faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.

"Lord Jesus, have mercy and forgive me for I am a sinner. Save my soul and make me into a new person."

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