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## The Elephant in the Pew

“The Sacredness of Sex”

Sexual Fidelity was the single most important predictor of a society's ascendancy. In human records there is no instance of a society retaining its energy after a complete new generation has inherited a tradition which does not insist on prenuptial and postnuptial continence.”

~Dr. J.D. Unwin  
Sex and Culture

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### I Corinthians 6:16-20 Message

<sup>16-20</sup>*There's more to sex than mere skin on skin. Sex is as much spiritual mystery as physical fact. As written in Scripture, "The two become one." Since we want to become spiritually one with the Master, we must not pursue the kind of sex that avoids commitment and intimacy, leaving us more lonely than ever—the kind of sex that can never "become one." There is a sense in which sexual sins are different from all others. In sexual sin we violate the sacredness of our own bodies, these bodies that were made for God-given and God-modeled love, for "becoming one" with another. Or didn't you realize that your body is a sacred place, the place of the Holy Spirit? Don't you see that you can't live however you please, squandering what God paid such a high price for? The physical part of you is not some piece of property belonging to the spiritual part of you. God owns the whole works. So let people see God in and through your body.*

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**Hebrews 13:4 NKJ**

*<sup>4</sup> Marriage is honorable among all, and the bed undefiled; but fornicators and adulterers God will judge.*

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**God Has a High Purpose for Sex**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ in Marriage.

**Matthew 19:5 NKJ**

*<sup>5</sup> and said, 'For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh'?*

2. \_\_\_\_\_.

**Genesis 1:29**

*<sup>29</sup> "Be fruitful and multiply and replenish the earth."*

3. \_\_\_\_\_.

**Proverbs 5:18-19 NLT**

*<sup>18</sup> Let your wife be a fountain of blessing for you. Rejoice in the wife of your youth.*

*<sup>19</sup> She is a loving deer, a graceful doe. Let her breasts satisfy you always. May you always be captivated by her love.*

Love – Desires to satisfy others even at the expense of self.

Lust – Desires to satisfy self even at the expense of others.

**When Two People are Following God's Word for Their Sex Lives:**

1. All \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ disappear.
2. Marriage becomes \_\_\_\_\_.
3. They become a \_\_\_\_\_ in the midst of \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Their \_\_\_\_\_ grow up with \_\_\_\_\_.
5. Their \_\_\_\_\_ function with better \_\_\_\_\_.

6. Their relationship with God grows

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7. They \_\_\_\_\_ more \_\_\_\_\_ for God  
in the earth.

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