**Topic: The Doctrines of Sexuality**

**Worldview Brief: #240**

**Objective**: Properly understand the Biblical purpose and design of the family.

# Primary Scripture(s):

* **Genesis 1:27-28**: “So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them. And God blessed them. And God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it, and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth.”
* **1 Corinthians 6:9-11**: “Or do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived: neither the sexually immoral, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor men who practice homosexuality, nor thieves, nor the greedy, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God. And such were some of you. But you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God.”
* [**Proverbs 5:18-19**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Proverbs+5%3A18-19&version=ESV)**:** “Let your fountain be blessed, and rejoice in the wife of your youth, a lovely deer, a graceful doe. Let her breasts fill you at all times with delight; be intoxicated always in her love.”
* [**Matthew 5:28**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matthew+5%3A28&version=ESV): “But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lustful intent has already committed adultery with her in his heart.”

# Additional References to Consider:

# 1 Corinthians 7:5 (Sex should be a healthy, active part of marriage relationships)

# 1 Corinthians 6:19 (Flee from sexual immorality, it is very damaging to you)

# Genesis 2:16-18 (God creates Eve as a complementing helper to Adam)

# Genesis 3 (The fall of man brought struggles for the roles/relationships in marriage)

# Ephesians 5:21-33 (Men and women are unique in many ways, not just biologically)

**Summary Statement**: God created male and female to be two complementing parts of mankind. Male and female come together in a lifelong commitment of marriage and sex is a gift from God for marriage. Sex outside the Biblical definition for marriage is always sinful.

**Primary Points to Keep in Mind:**

1. God created and ordained male and female as the two sexes of genders.
2. God created male and female to complement each other in many ways.
3. Male and female come together in a lifelong commitment called marriage.
4. Sex is a gift from God to married couples to strengthen their bond to each other.
5. Sex in any context outside Biblical marriage is sinful and dishonoring to God.
6. Sexual purity is concerned not only with actions, but thoughts and intents.

The Six Key Points Regarding: The Doctrines of Sexuality

1. **God created and ordained male and female as the two sexes of genders.**

**Brief Explanation**: God is the designer of life and created mankind in two ways, male and female (Genesis 1:27-28). All through scripture, there is no difference between biological sex (man and woman) or gender (male and female) they are the same. There is no way to change from one sex/gender to the other. God is the one who chose how you would be created, and mankind should not violate God’s created design.

1. **God created male and female to complement each other in many ways.**

**Brief Explanation:** One of the strongest Bible-wide truth’s is that God created man and women of equal value, yet different biologically, emotionally, mentally, and in their roles. Genesis 2:16-18 shows how Eve was created not to be the same as Adam, but to complete and bring a complementing nature to him, and the fall shows why this relationship struggle now in the curse that comes on the world (Gen. 3). Men & women were made differently (Eph. 5:21-33).

1. **Male and female come together in a lifelong commitment called marriage.**

**Brief Explanation:** The Bible repeatedly shows marriage is between a man and women in a life-long commitment (Genesis 1 & 2). Marriage is where these complementing two (male and female) come together into one (two become one) and reach the deepest level of relational intimacy and companionship possible between two humans.

1. **Sex is a gift from God to married couples to strengthen their bond to each other.**

**Brief Explanation:** Sex is not a bad thing; sex is actually a very good gift from God given to men and women who are in a marital relationship (Proverbs 5:18-19). Sex is a healthy, regular part of a God honoring marriage (1 Corinthians 7:5) and creates a deep bond between spouses.

1. **Sex in any context outside Biblical marriage is sinful and dishonoring to God.**

**Brief Explanation:** Many good gifts God created for mankind can be abused, and sex has been abused more than most other things. Fornication (sex outside marriage) adultery (cheating on your spouse) homosexuality (violating the created order of male and female) are all distortions of God’s design, and therefore sinful (1 Cor. 6:9-11). Christians should flee those sexual sins and seek to honor God with our bodies (1 Cor. 6:19) and not violate His created order. There is no such thing as God honor sex unless it’s a man and women who are married.

1. **Sexual purity is concerned not only with actions, but thoughts and intents.**

**Brief Explanation:** Jesus makes it clear our thought life is just as important as actions. God commands us not to think impure thoughts (Eph. 5:21-33) because it’s equally sinful.