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Sex in marriage is not something that is just to be a function. Sex in marriage is not just intended for procreation. Sex in marriage is intended for pleasure. But that pleasure has to come God's way. You say, "I don't even want to have sex with him." Well, we're going to talk about that later and we're going to talk about why you don't want to have sex. But let me just say this, because I want you to see that sex is ordained by God. And that God sees it as something beautiful. That's where we need to begin.

PART ONE

When you think about sex in marriage, what do you think about? What's your concept of it? Is it something beautiful? Is it something pleasurable? Or were you told by Mother that, if you were a woman that it's something that you just have to tolerate? That that's the only way you're going to get kids, but just use it to get kids and forget about it. Why do we have so many

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opinions on sex in marriage? Well I believe, Precious One, it's because we don't know what the Word of God has to say about sex. We don't understand that God is the designer of sex and that God meant sex to be beautiful. You know, I'll never forget when I was 12 years old and I was setting at a table in a very small house and I was doing my homework. It was before the days of television. And I was sitting there doing my homework and I always listened to the radio. And they had a dramatized program on every single week that had something to do with science. And from a young girl I'd always wanted to be nurse and that's what I became. So I would listen to this program. And I was sitting there, working on my homework and it was on the RH factor, and it talked about the father's blood and the mother's blood and the need for compatibility and I remember lifting my head and mother was working in the kitchen and saying, "Mom, what does the husband's blood have to do with the child's anyway?" I was 12 years old. I love it. I was 12 years old and at that time I didn't know where babies came from. Oh I know they were in momma's tummy. But I never knew how they got there. I don't remember what my mother said to me that night except for one sentence. And I remember, she turned and she looked at me and she said, "Oh, Kay, it's so beautiful." That was my concept about sex. It's so beautiful. And that was mother's concept about sex, because she really understood what God had to say about it. You know what? Sex does need to be beautiful. And it should be pleasurable because the sexual aspect of your marriage, Precious One, is so important. It is so vital. Why? Because they find that people that have a good sexual relationship in marriage have a much stronger marriage. It's a marriage that lasts. It's a marriage that finds tenderness. And they find that even when we participate in sexual activity with our mate, that it makes us healthier. So we want to see what God has to say about sex. And what I want to do is I want to take you to Genesis, chapter 2. In Genesis, chapter 2 we have the account of when God created woman and how God brought Eve to Adam. Now Genesis 1 tells us that in

the beginning He created them, male and female. And He told them that they were to “be fruitful” and that they were to “multiply upon the earth”, that they were to populate the earth. Because when God created man, there was one man and there was one woman. But Genesis 2 takes us in on a tighter view. And as we move in Genesis 2, we find out that first God created man and then God created woman. And He created woman from man. She was taken out of man. He took a rib out of man and He fashioned it into a woman. He had caused a deep sleep to come upon Adam and then He woke up Adam and, wow, when Adam saw Eve, I mean this was it. He had named all the animals. But those animals couldn’t hold a candle to this one that was like him, this one that was out of him. And so when you look at Genesis, chapter 2, verse 22, it says, “And the Lord fashioned into a woman the rib which He had taken from the man, and brought her to the man,” it goes on to say, in verse 24, “For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and cleave to his wife; and [the two]...,” now catch this, this is so important “...shall become one flesh.” Now what does He mean by the two becoming one flesh? We always need to let Scripture interpret Scripture because Scripture is the best interpreter of Scripture. And you need to remember also that this is God’s Book. There are 66 books here and it was written over a span of about 1,400, 1,500 years. But it’s all God’s Book. Holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit. And so what God does is He gives us a progressive revelation. He gives us truth. He can’t tell us everything at one time. So He gives us truth and then He builds and builds and He builds on it. Well, when we come to 1 Corinthians, chapter 6, we have insight because what the author of Corinthians does, which is the apostle Paul, is he quotes from Genesis, chapter 2, verse 24. And this is what he’s saying. He’s talking to the Corinthians. Now the Corinthian society was a very immoral society. I mean they were so immoral they coined a phrase in those days. And they said, “Oh those people are Corinthianizing.” Now Corinthianizing meant that they were involved in great sexual immorality,

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just total abandonment. I mean all kinds of sex and all kinds of license and no restrictions and no restraints. Now that may sound wonderful to you. And there are people that are involved in this and there are all sorts of clubs that people can join, that just live in this licentiousness. But they're an unhappy lot. And they're a people that are really suppressing what God made them to be in their ungodliness. And they're going to come under the judgment of God. Because they don't know what the Word of God says and they could know. But they haven't bothered to look to see what the creator of sex says about it and the rules that we're to follow in respect to sex. So he's writing to this church and people apparently in the church have said this, "Look, food's for the body, you know, and the body's for food. Sex is for the body and the body is for sex." And he says, "Now wait a minute, wait a minute, that's not true." He says, "The body is for the Lord and you are to live for the Lord. You're to live according to what your Creator says." And then he goes on to say this, "Do you not know...", verse 15, "...that your bodies are [the] members of Christ?" Now he's speaking to Christians. He's not speaking to the world. But he's speaking to people that have recognized that God is God, that He's the Creator, that they are man, that they are in a state of sin and rebellion against God. Sin is to walk your own way. Sin is to do your own thing. And he's saying, "Okay, you have recognized that you're walking in rebellion to God. God created you. You're supposed to live the way God says live and you haven't done that." And so what God did was He sent His Son, Jesus Christ. Jesus Christ became flesh and blood like you and I are so that He could be tempted in all points as you and I are and yet not yield to sin. Jesus was every bit a man as any of you men are. And He was tempted just like you are. But He didn't sin. And He didn't sin because He always and only did those things that pleased the Father. So what happened? Jesus Christ become the substitute for your sin. And so what He did was He died in your place because, "the wages of sin is death. The soul that sinneth, it shall [surely] die, so God took Jesus who knew no sin and made Him to be

sin for you and me that you and I might be made the righteousness of God in Him.” So how do I become that which is pleasing to God? How do I get rid of my sin? How am I declared in right standing with God? How am I justified so to speak? How am I declared righteous from God when really I deserve hell? Well the way that happens is when I receive Jesus Christ, when I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God. When I believe that he is God and when I receive Him as my God, as my Lord, my Master, my Savior. Then Jesus Christ moves in and in God’s economy, I become part of this body of believers, part of this called out group, this “ekklesia”, this church that’s called out to be people that are here on the face of this earth, left here to share the Good News with others that they can be set free from their sins, that they don’t have to be a slave to sin any longer. And some of you that are listening to me know what I’m talking about, because you’re enslaved by pornography. Others of you are committing incest. Others of you are in an adulterous relationship and you know it’s wrong. And you feel caught and you feel trapped and you don’t know how to get out of it. Others of you have gone from one man to another man or one woman to another woman to another woman, looking for something, someone to satisfy that void within and I understand because I’ve been there. But you know what? I’m not there any more. Why? Because I believed in Jesus Christ, because I submitted my life to Him, because I received Him as my Savior, and when I received Him, I became part of the body of Jesus Christ, a body of believers, a group of believers. And Jesus moved in. So in essence, my body is His temple. So he’s saying this, “Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I then take the members of Christ and make them the members of a harlot?” Now what is a harlot? A harlot is an immoral woman. A harlot is a person that just goes from one sexual partner to another sexual partner. Sometimes they sell themselves. Sometimes they don’t charge a thing. And I know because that’s in essence what I used to be. I wasn’t a prostitute. I didn’t sell myself. But in a sense I did. I sold myself because I

wanted to be loved. And I sold myself to people because I thought, maybe you will love me. Maybe you're the answer to my deepest need. And then I found the one Man that was and His name was Jesus Christ so now my body belongs to Him. Can I take my hands, then, and use the "them" the way I used to use them? Can I take my body and use it the way I used to use it? And he says, "No, God forbid, may it never be!"

PART TWO

Now, in Genesis, chapter 1, and I want you to see this, in verse 26, it says, "Then God said, 'Let Us make man in Our image, In Our likeness. And let them rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the sky.'" It says, in verse 27, "And God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male..." now this is so important, "...male and female He created them." And then He goes on to say, "And God blessed them; and...said... 'Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth.'" So we know that sex is intended for pleasure because God made it pleasurable. We know also that sex was intended for procreation, for mankind to reproduce after their own kind and this helps you understand why God's design for marriage is a man and a woman because that's the only way that a child can be reproduced. It takes not only a sperm, but it takes an egg. And you never get an egg from a man. And you never get a sperm from a woman. The man produces the sperm. And the woman produces the egg and the sperm and the egg come together and that produces a child: a child in the likeness of man, a child in, so to speak, the likeness of God. Now, it's so important that you understand that God meant sex to be pleasurable. And I want to take you to two verses in Proverbs, chapter 5. Now we're going to come back to this portion of Proverbs because it's very, very important in respect to sexual immorality and in respect to sexual fidelity. Now what do I mean by immorality and I think I need to define my terms because we're living in an amoral society. Amoral means we have no morals. It means we have no

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standards. It means that everyone's doing what's right in their own eyes. The problem is they think it's right in their eyes, but it's not right in God's eyes. And because it's not right in God's eyes, then there are consequences to our behavior. And there's a judgment of God that's going to come. So you need to stick with me. You really need to understand what God has to say about sex. You need to get your information from the Bible and not from the magazines because I can promise you, Precious One, that if you want to have and know sex as God intended it, you have to understand His precepts. You have to understand what He is saying and how you and I are to live. In Proverbs, chapter 5, he says, "Let your fountain be blessed, and rejoice with the wife of your youth." Now when he says, "Let your fountain be blessed," we think a fountain as water coming out and coming forth from someone. I think that when he's saying, "Let your fountain be blessed," I think he's saying to be blunt, "Let your sperm be blessed, and rejoice with the wife of your youth." In other words, you're to have sex within marriage, not outside of marriage. He says, "As a loving hind and a graceful doe, let her breasts satisfy you at all times; be exhilarated always with her love." Did you hear those things? "Let her breasts satisfy you." Let them satisfy you. That's pleasure. "Be exhilarated..." that's pleasure, "...always with her love." So what I want you to see is this, that sex in marriage is not dirty. Sex in marriage is not something that is just to be a function. Sex in marriage is not just intended for procreation. Sex in marriage is intended for pleasure. But that pleasure has to come God's way. Now, you say, but you know what? I don't even want to have sex with him. Well, we're going to talk about that later and we're going to talk about why you don't want to have sex. But let me just say this, because I want you to see that sex is ordained by God. And that God sees it as something beautiful. That's where we need to begin. So 1 Corinthians, chapter 7 says this, "Now concerning the things about which you wrote: it is good for a man not to touch a woman. But because of immoralities, let each man have his own wife, and each woman have her

own husband.” Now what is God saying? In essence, He’s saying this: That sex inside of marriage has God’s blessing. Sex outside of marriage is immorality and God’s judgment comes upon it. In Hebrews, chapter 13, in verse 4, it says, “Marriage is honorable in all, and the bed undefiled: but fornicators and adulterers God will judge.” Now, I want you to look again at 1 Corinthians, chapter 7. And it says, “Because of immoralities let each man have his own wife and each woman have her own husband. Let the husband fulfill his duty to his wife, and likewise also the wife to her husband.” If you don’t want to have sex, you have an obligation before God to have sex with one another. It’s a duty. It’s a duty, why? Because God intended us to fulfill our sexual desires within the confines of marriage, and when you’re married and you withhold yourself from your mate, then you are putting your mate in a vulnerable position. Listen to what he says, “Stop depriving one another, except by agreement for a time that you may devote yourselves to prayer and fasting.” In other words, instead of enjoying each other, then you’re going to give yourself to prayer and you’re going to give yourself to fasting. Fasting from food and fasting from sex. All right. “And come together again lest Satan tempt you because of your lack of self-control.” In other words, when you don’t sleep with one another, when you don’t enjoy one another, when you don’t have sex within marriage, then you’re putting your mate in a very vulnerable position. Now, if your mate is immoral and has sex outside of marriage and remember, “Marriage is honorable in all and the bed undefiled, but fornicators and adulterers, God will judge.” Fornication and adultery is sex outside of marriage. So all those magazines that are talking about sex and having it with this partner and having it on this date, or how long do you wait, all of that is from the enemy. All of that is to get you to destroy your life. All of that is designed, and listen carefully, to take you straight to the pit of hell because no adulterer and no fornicator has any inheritance in the kingdom of God. In other words, if your lifestyle is one of adultery, or your lifestyle is one of fornication, immorality and you’re not married, but you’re

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just sleeping around, I can tell you this, Precious One, you're going to go to hell. God doesn't want that, and that's why I shared the good news today about how you can become a child of God, by believing in Jesus Christ, by turning your life over to God, by saying, "God, here's my body. You created it. Here's my mind. Here's my soul. Here's my affections. God, here I am, lock, stock, and barrel. You created me. And, God, I want to know that full potential of being a child of Yours. I don't want to be alone. I want to be part of a body. I want to be part of a group, a group that's headed for heaven, a group that has the blessing of God, the wind of God's Spirit behind our backs and within us leading us to what You designed for us."