AND YOU THINK YOU'VE GOT PROBLEMS

BUT EVERYBODY'S DOING IT

1 Corinthians 6:12-20

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Yet the body is not for immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord is for the body. 1 Corinthians 6:13

What does God have to say about sexual immorality?

1. Sexual immorality is a very important issue.

A. It is not a matter of <u>freedom</u>.

All things are lawful for me, but not all things are profitable. All things are lawful for me, but I will not be mastered by anything.

1 Cor. 6:12

B. It is not a matter of <u>biology</u>.

Food is for the stomach and the stomach is for food, but God will do away with both of them. Yet the body is not for immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord is for the body. 1 Cor. 6:13-14

C. It is not a trivial thing.

Now God has not only raised the Lord, but will also raise us up through His power. Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I then take away the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? May it never be! 1 Cor. 6:15

2. Sexual immorality is a very powerful issue.

Flee immorality. Every other sin that a man commits is outside the body, but the immoral man sins against his own body. 1 Cor. 6:18

A. You are not to fight it, you are to flee it.

Now flee from youthful lusts, and pursue righteousness, faith, love and peace, with those who call on the Lord from a pure heart. 2 Timothy 2:22

B. You are to view it as different from other sins.

3. Sexual immorality is a very winnable issue.

A. Remember that the Lord <u>lives within you</u>.

Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and that you are not your own? 1 Cor. 6:19

1. He is present at all times.

I am with you always, even to the end of the age.

Matthew 28:20

2. He has power for the temptations.

But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not carry out the desire of the flesh. Galatians 5:16

B. Remember that the Lord has purchased you.

For you have been bought with a price. 1 Cor. 6:20a

C. Remember that your <u>reason for being is to glorify God</u>. *Therefore glorify God in your body. 1 Cor. 6:20b*

Will you make it your goal to <u>live pure in a dirty world</u>?