

S.O.H.L. (5/3/10)

WEEKLY MINISTRY MEDITATIONS

Pronounced "Soul"

The Damaging Effects Of Sexual Sins To The Single (Pt. 1)

1 CORINTHIANS 6:18-20 NLT – (18) Run from sexual sin! No other sin so clearly affects the body as this one does. For sexual immorality is a sin against your own body. (19) Don't you realize that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit, who lives in you and was given to you by God? You do not belong to yourself, (20) for God bought you with a high price. So you must honor God with your body.

1 CORINTHIANS 10:8-11 NLT – (8) And we must not engage in sexual immorality as some of them did, causing 23,000 of them to die in one day. (9) Nor should we put Christ to the test, as some of them did and then died from snakebites. (10) And don't grumble as some of them did, and then were destroyed by the angel of death. (11) These things happened to them as examples for us. They were written down to warn us who live at the end of the age.

Fornication is a sin against our own body, and we are told to run away from fornication.

There is a myth concerning men, the tougher he is physically, the more challenges he can handle. Of all the things that can crush a man spiritually, emotionally and physically, none can do it faster or more completely than a plunge into sexual sin. Sex is like a fire in a home, as long as it is confined to the fireplace (marriage), it is good for warmth, but if it gets out of the fireplace it can burn the house down!

Today, we want to begin a study on sexual sins and in this study we must lay aside the excuses that make it easy for a man or woman to commit and justify sexual sin. We must deal with the reality and the complications of this sin. How do we do this? By not conforming to the worlds standards or tolerances.

When we don't acknowledge our involvement in any sexual sin, we create more opportunities to sin. For no action goes unseen (**2 Samuel 11:27**)! My brothers and sisters, **DON'T THINK IT CAN'T HAPPEN TO YOU!!!!!!!!!!!!**

- 1) **The bible says David was a man after God's own heart.**
- 2) **2 Samuel 11:1 tells us David was in the wrong place at the wrong time.**
- 3) **David's intention was not to fall.**
- 4) **David had a dynamic relationship with God prior to his poor decision.**

One night changed David's whole life, so don't fall into the trap of thinking that it can't happen to you! Every decision has consequences. The impact may not be revealed immediately however; the effect is not often limited to just the person committing the sin. Immorality is a problem between you, me and God because we tarnish His image!

If you have already reaped these consequences, **there is hope for recovery through Jesus**. Though every consequence may not be completely removed, God can help you make the best of your circumstances, and get back on track in a life of happiness and blessing.

SCRIPTURE READING

NAHUM 1:7

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

To be or not to be saved; that is the question.

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