

Session



Personal Study Guide

Finding Our Way With Sexuality

September 15, 2019

Introduction

 How would you respond to Tripp’s statement that “you don’t have to look very far to see that we’re in big trouble” with regard to sexuality in our culture? What evidences come most readily to your mind?

 Where do you generally see the strongest biblical worldview represented when it comes to sexuality? Would you say that it is rare to find such a view?

 How comfortable are you in discussing your views on sexuality when the topic is raised in conversation? How would you describe the tones of those conversations?

1. God’s Wrath on Wrongful Worship (Romans 1:18-23)

 Describe a time that you were overwhelmed by some aspect of God’s majestic creation. What aspect of God’s character were you especially aware of during that moment? How did it contribute to your worship of God?

 How would you explain the “wrath” of our loving God to someone? What particular points would you make to show it is consistent with His character? What objections might you anticipate someone making to your argument?

2. Stubborn Hearts Given Over (Romans 1:24-31)

 What are some ways in which you observe culture worshiping the created instead of the Creator? In those cases, how would you describe the opinion of God held by those that worship the creation?

❓ How does Paul indicate the self-worship of the rebellious influencing the view of sexuality? What aspect of this expression of sin is strengthened by self-worship? What determines that which is acceptable and taboo?

3. Volitional Rebellion (Romans 1:32)

❓ Why do you think a person's ability to be dissuaded from sin by the consequences of God's wrath decreases the longer he or she persists in that sinfulness? How does their perception of the consequences change?

❓ In navigating the modern sexual culture, what sexual ethics are promoted today that were not treated that way in the recent past? How do you observe the evidence of such celebration in your regular weekly routines?

Conclusion

❓ How comfortable would you say you are in being able to articulate the Bible's teaching on sexual ethics? What passages would you make sure to use? What passages would you make sure to highlight to address the consequences of ignoring God's sexual ethics (other than this one)?

❓ How would you describe the attitude in the churches you've attended toward discussing sexuality as an aspect of discipleship? How have you seen that change over the years? Why do you think that is significant?

❓ What does it indicate to you that so much energy is spent in modern culture defining people by their sexual orientation? How does your identity in Christ war against that? What particular aspect of your life do you want to be known for?

Daily Readings

- Monday - Romans 12:1-2
- Tuesday - 2 Corinthians 10:3-5
- Wednesday - Galatians 5:1

- Thursday - 2 Timothy 1:7
- Friday - 1 Peter 4:7
- Saturday - Colossians 3:1-2