

Faith Matters- The Sex Question

Who we will be amidst the controversy and confusion surrounding sex in our culture is the greatest question that our church must all be asking.

6...Everyone did what was right in his own eyes. Judges 17:6

When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Matthew 9:36

From a Biblical and church perspective, sex outside of a binding marriage covenant between a man and a woman is sin.

We cannot selectively apply scripture when it is convenient for us and disregard it when it is not convenient.

14 The person without the Spirit does not accept the things that come from the Spirit of God but considers them foolishness, and cannot understand them because they are discerned only through the Spirit. 1 Corinthians 2:14

27 So God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. 28 God blessed them and said to them, "Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Genesis 1:27-28

18 Flee from sexual immorality. Every other sin a person commits is outside the body, but the sexually immoral person sins against his own body. 1 Corinthians 6:18

Most people want a Savior, not King.

We want to be forgiven, but we do not want to be Holy.

*6 But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female.'
7 'Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife,
8 and the two shall become one flesh.' So they are no longer two but one flesh.
9 What therefore God has joined together, let not man separate." Mark 10:6-7*

Christians should not just be judged by how we love one another but in how we love those with whom we disagree.

6 When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining wisdom, she took some and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it. 7 Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realized they were naked; Genesis 3:6-7

“What is impossible with man is possible with God.” Luke 18:27

27 “You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall not commit adultery.’ 28 But I tell you that anyone who looks at a woman lustfully has already committed adultery with her in his heart. Matthew 5:27-28

We want to reduce our humanity to a set of behaviors including sexual preferences but Jesus forces us to think deeply about our motivations and desires that far too often govern our actions.

18 No one takes it (my life) from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This charge I have received from my Father.” John 10:18