

SUMMARY OF SCRIPTURAL TEACHING ABOUT SEX

**GOD GAVE THE GIFT OF SEX FOR PLEASURE
(GEN 2:25, PROV 5:15-19)**

GOD GAVE THE GIFT OF SEX TO CREATE LIFE (GEN 1:28)

**GOD GAVE THE GIFT OF SEX FOR INTIMATE ONENESS
(GEN 2:24)**

GOD GAVE THE GIFT OF SEX FOR COMFORT (II SAM 12:24)

**GOD GAVE THE GIFT OF SEX FOR MARRIAGE
(I COR 7:3-5, HEB 13:4)**

**GOD GAVE THE GIFT OF SEX TO TEACH US SOMETHING ABOUT
OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH HIM (EPHESIANS 5:31-33)**

THE ROLE OF SEX IN MARRIAGE

STRENGTHENS THE MARITAL BOND

FOSTERS GROWTH IN INTIMACY

PROVIDES A SPECIAL PRIVATENESS EXCLUDING ALL OTHERS

A SPECIAL TIME OF TOGETHERNESS THAT LOWERS STRESS

A WONDERFUL WAY OF EXPRESSING LOVE

A SHARED EXPERIENCE OF INTENSE PLEASURE

FOSTERS EMOTIONAL CLOSENESS AND SENSE OF WELL-BEING

SUMMARY OF GENDER DIFFERENCES

MAN WAS FORMED OF DUST; WOMAN WAS FORMED OF LIVING TISSUE

MAN WAS PLACED IN THE GARDEN ALONE; WOMAN WAS BROUGHT TO THE MAN SO THEY COULD BE TOGETHER

MAN WAS CREATED WITH A NEED; WOMAN WAS CREATED TO FILL THE NEED

MAN'S JOB WAS TO WORK TENDING THE GARDEN, WOMAN WAS TO HELP MAN

MAN'S JOB WAS COGNITIVE/TASK ORIENTED (NAME AND CARE FOR); WOMAN'S JOB WAS EMOTIVE/RELATIONAL (MEET THE NEED OF THE MAN)

MAN GAVE WOMAN HER NAME; WOMAN RECEIVED HER NAME FROM MAN

MAN'S BODY GIVES SEED; WOMAN'S BODY GIVES LIFE

MAN'S FIRST EXPERIENCE OF WOMAN WAS PRIMARILY VISUAL; WOMAN'S FIRST EXPERIENCE WAS PRIMARILY RELATIONAL

JUST HOW DIFFERENT ARE WE

WE DIFFER IN HOW WE THINK ABOUT SEX

WE DIFFER IN WHAT WE WANT FROM AND ENJOY ABOUT SEX

WE DIFFER IN OUR ENERGY RESOURCES FOR SEX

WE DIFFER IN OUR CONCERNS ABOUT BODY IMAGE

WE DIFFER IN HOW OFTEN WE WANT TO HAVE SEX

WE DIFFER IN HOW WE CONNECT SEXUALLY

**A TURNED ON WOMEN TURNS ON A MAN, A TURNED ON MAN IS
USUALLY SEEN AS A DEMAND BY THE WOMEN**

PRIMACY OF THE MALE ROLE

“FOR THIS REASON A MAN WILL LEAVE HIS FATHER AND MOTHER AND BE UNITED TO HIS WIFE, AND THEY WILL BECOME ONE FLESH.” GENESIS 2:24

“THE HUSBAND SHOULD FULFILL HIS MARITAL DUTY TO HIS WIFE, AND LIKE WISE THE WIFE TO HER HUSBAND.” I CORINTHIANS 7:3

“HUSBANDS LOVE YOUR WIVES, JUST AS CHRIST LOVED THE CHURCH AND GAVE HIMSELF FOR HER TO MAKE HER HOLY, CLEANSING HER BY THE WASHING WITH WATER THROUGH THE WORD, AND TO PRESENT HER TO HIMSELF AS A RADIANT CHURCH, WITHOUT STAIN OR WRINKLE OR ANY OTHER BLEMISH, BUT HOLY AND BLAMELESS. IN THIS SAME WAY, HUSBANDS OUGHT TO LOVE THEIR WIVES AS THEIR OWN BODIES. HE WHO LOVES HIS WIFE LOVES HIMSELF. AFTER ALL, NO ONE EVER HATED IS ONE BODY, BUT HE FEEDS AND CARES FOR IT JUST AS CHRIST DOES THE CHURCH.”

EPHESIANS 5:25-29

“HUSBANDS, IN THE SAME WAY, BE CONSIDERATE (UNDERSTANDING) AS YOU LIVE WITH YOUR WIVES, TREAT THEM WITH RESPECT AS THE WEAKER VESSEL AND HEIRS WITH YOU OF THE GRACIOUS GIFT OF LIFE, SO THAT NOTHING WILL HINDER YOUR PRAYERS.”

I PETER 3:7

POTENTIAL ABUSES OF MALE SEXUALITY

**AS A TRANQUILIZER OR ANTIDEPRESSANT TO RELIEVE TENSION,
STRESS, FEELING DOWN OR FEELING SELF-PITY**

AS A MEANS OF VENTING ANGER

TO PROVE ONE'S MASCULINITY

TO DOMINATE THE PARTNER

TO PROVE LOVE

AS SENSATION SEEKING THINKING SEX IS EVERYTHING

CONFUSION OF EMOTIONAL NEEDS WITH SEXUAL NEEDS

TAKING SHORT CUT TO SEX BY-PASSING REAL INTIMACY

PHYSICAL/VISUAL WANDERING

PORNOGRAPHY

USING "LOVE" TO GET SEX

LIFE EAST OF EDEN

**SPEAK THE TRUTH – NO WAY YOU ARE NOT WOUNDED
(VICTIM/VOLUNTEER)**

**FIND A FEW SAFE PEOPLE TO TELL YOUR STORY TO, WITH
FEELING**

GRIEVE, BE ANGRY, UNDERSTAND, EVENTUALLY FORGIVE

**BE FILLED AND CONSTANTLY RENEWED BY GRACE OF GOD
(HEBREWS 2:11, EPHESIANS 2:8-10, I JOHN 3:1, ROMANS 5:6-10,
ROMANS 8:31-38, PSALMS 147:10-11)**

**OVERFLOW OF GRACE-BASED RELATIONSHIP TO/WITH GOD
EXTENDS TO OTHERS**

- A. STOP CONTROLLING**
- B. STOP JUDGING AND CRITICIZING**
- C. STOP WITHDRAWING**
- D. STOP MANIPULATING WITH ANGER AND SEX**

**REPENT OF IDOLATRY WORSHIPPING A PERSON'S OPINION AS
HIGHER THAN GOD'S AND SURRENDER TO GOD AS LORD**

TYPES OF SEXUAL WOUNDS

RAPE/DATE RAPE

SEXUAL HARASSMENT

MOLESTATION

FORCED OR PRESSURED SEXUAL INTERCOURSE

COARSE JESTING OR TEASING

NEGATIVE FAMILY ATTITUDES

ANGRY SEX/EROTICIZED RAGE

SHAMING SEX

FORCED OR PRESSURED SEXUALLY-BASED ACTIVITY

INCEST

SEXUAL ABUSE

EARLY SEXUAL EXPOSURE OR ACTIVITY

INFIDELITY/ADULTERY

CATCHING AN STD

OBSCENE PHONE CALLS

INAPPROPRIATE OR UNINVITED TOUCH

NEGLECT OR ABANDONMENT CONCERNING SEXUAL EDUCATION

LACK OF PRIVACY OR BOUNDARIES