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Improper For God's Holy People

Ephesians 5:3 But among you there must not be even a hint of sexual immorality, or of any kind of impurity, or of greed, because these are improper for God's holy people.

Many are the reasons that a marriage breaks up. The top two reasons have been money matters and the sexual relationship. Other factors such as friends, in-law relations, over working, irritations, children and family problems play a role as well. A growing reason for divorce is pornography. The latest statistical rate is 58% of divorces are due to a spouse viewing excessive amounts of online pornography. This has become epidemic in this age of the internet. The problem is no longer a man's problem but affects many women as well. This article will be written from a man's view but the genders can easily be reversed in today's society.

Did you know that 54% of ministers have this problem and five out of every ten church going men view pornography? The problem will continue to grow because the 12 - 17 age group accesses more of it than any other age group. Pornography is a fantasy world. It is not reality. Shelly Lubben is a former porn worker who now strives to rescue men and women from this violent life. This is not a life of pleasure and glamour but a life of violence, brutality, rape, disease, drugs, alcohol, depression and suicide. The average age of death for these workers is 36.2 years. Consider what Lubben shares about her former experiences. "We hate being touched by strangers who care nothing about us. We hate being degraded with their foul smells and sweaty bodies. Some women hate it so much that you can hear them vomiting in the bathroom between the scenes... Porn producers want you to think we enjoy being degraded by all kinds of repulsive acts ... the truth is there is no fantasy in porn. It is all a lie. The real truth is we porn actresses want to end the shame and trauma of our lives, but we can't do it alone. We need you men to fight for our freedom and give us back our honor." Viewing pornography supports this lifestyle that this woman has grown to despise.

Men, what if this were your daughter being treated like this? She is somebody's daughter. What if this were your wife being treated like this? This young girl very likely will be somebody's future wife. If we consider the Golden Rule then why would we want any human to endure this? Men have no right to hit, slap, punch, kick, beat up or sexually abuse a woman. Abuse and demoralizing due to pornography is destroying marriages. Not only this, but children are being harmed by pornography. The fastest growing online businesses are selling child pornography. Satan continues to be a destroyer of marriages as well as human lives. We must be on the alert for his attacks. They can show up at any time and any place in this age of media and technology.

Today's verse tells us to not even have a hint of sexual immorality in our lives. It also says we should not have any impurity. I Corinthians 6:18 commands us to flee from sexual immorality. The fifteenth verse also quotes the Apostle Paul as asking, "Shall I then take the members of Christ and unite them with a prostitute?" Pornography is a form of participating with a prostitute and is wrong for the Christian. October is about strengthening our families. We must remove this cancer from our homes and we should strive to remove it from our society. Shelly Lubben has escaped this lifestyle. She wants to serve the Lord and wants Christians to live the life to which they were called. This is for our benefit both physically and spiritually.

Joe

KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:

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- Iris Anderson - undergoing chemo
- Mike Andrews
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FRIENDS AND FAMILY

Dora Bolton, mother of James - MRMC, Rm. 252, Sherry Pritchett - mother of Jody - Vanderbilt, JoAnn Anderson - mother of Katherine Nicholson - fell, Eunice Oliver fell & hurt ankle, June Crigger fell & broke 3 ribs, Joe Huckaby - brother of Reba Jones, Ray Kuykendall - no cancer - another scan in 3 months, Jay Morgan - father-in-law of Kim, Elvis Frierson - friend of John Mayberry, Glenda Collins - sister of John Mayberry, Katherine Jones - mother of Alice Bolton, Scott Brown - brother of Barry, Daniel Harrington, Mike Primm - Vanderbilt, Darrell Brown, Nick Tank - student at Baker - leukemia, Clara Harvey, aunt of Ray Rummage, Clarence Weaver - Poplar Estates, Rm. 219, Joan Hermsdorfer - aunt of Robin Weaver - Hillview, Rm. 108-B, Stacey Brown - cystic fibrosis, Billy Oliver (Poplar Estates, Rm. 201) - brother of Corrine Goetz, Evan Rector, Lou Miller NHC Columbia Rm 152, Dorothy Rea - sister/Elmer Lusk, Evelyn Felker, sister/Benny Bolton, Doris McKennon - sister/Edna Hardison, JoAnn Anderson, Ann Graham - Morning Pointe, Rm. 113, Beverly Dawson, Jack & Daisy White, Jane Davis - sister of Nell Hood, Allen Brown, Ronnie Springer-leukemia, friend of John & Debbie Massey, Stormy Lyle - 1305 Old Mill Road, Moore, OK 73160, Claude Crowe - Debbie Massey's dad, Richard Johnson - cousin of Ed Johnson, Josh Jones, David Luther

WORSHIP LEADERS OCTOBER 25, 2015

SUNDAY 9:00 A.M

Welcome.....Richard Farris
 Song Leader.....Greg Lusk
 Prayer.....Jody Pritchett
 Lord's Supper: Presiding.....Duane Allen
 Danny Lasater Lee Winchester
 Donnie Davis Benny Bolton
 Jonathan Macer James Bolton
 Jerry Williams Blake Daniels
 Read: Romans 9:1-5.....Boyd Wood
 Sermon: A Burden For Family.....Joe Macer
 Announcements/Closing Prayer.....Richard Farris

SUNDAY 5:30 P.M.

Welcome/Song Leader.....Blair Keeling
 Prayer.....John Allen Thomas
 Read: Proverbs 31:10-12.....Sam Quirk
 Sermon: Care.....John Thomas
 Lord's Supper Presiding.....John Massey
 Announcements/Closing Prayer.....Charlie Willis

Ushers: Bobby Daniels, Tommy Skelley, Terry Burgess
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NURSERY CARE

A.M.....Linda Weaver, Robin Weaver
 P.M.....Iris and Shelby Anderson

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 28, 2015 - 6:30 P.M.

**Youth Singing Night/Prayer Service
 In fellowship Hall**