## 9. Sinful Sex

Why is sexual sin so bad to God? Afterall, it is how He made us. If we didn't have these primal and natural desires, we wouldn't procreate.

Let's look at some scripture:

Revelation 14:3-4 No one could learn the song except the 144,000 who had been redeemed from the earth. These are those who did not defile themselves with women, for they remained virgins. They follow the Lamb wherever He goes. Exodus 20:14 You shall not commit adultery (the 7<sup>th</sup> commandment in the 10 commandments).

<u>Matthew 19:9</u> (Jesus said) "I tell you that anyone who divorces his wife, except for sexual immorality, and marries another woman commits adultery."

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

<u>Leviticus 20:10</u> If a man commits adultery with another man's wife – with the wife of his neighbor – both the adulterer and the adulteress are to be put to death.

<u>Leviticus 20:13</u> If a man has sexual relations with a man as one does with a woman, both of them have done what is detestable. They are to be put to death; their blood will be on their own heads.

Leviticus 20:15 If a man has sexual relations with an animal, he is to be put to death, and you must kill the animal.

In Revelation 14, the 144,000 men, who will be on Earth to turn people to Jesus during that horrible time of tribulation, must be <u>virgins</u>. Sexual relations would defile them. Defile's synonyms are pollute, taint, corrupt, and stain. Why couldn't they be very righteous men who served the Lord all their life, and at one point got married?

It's even in the 10 commandments not to commit adultery (Exodus 20).

The only acceptable reason (in Matthew 19) to get a divorce, and not commit adultery when you marry again, is sexual immorality.

Jesus explained in Matthew 5 that we don't even have to commit the act of adultery to have committed the sin. All we have to do is lust for it, and the sin of adultery is committed.

God instructed Moses (in Leviticus 20) to put people to death if they committed sexual sin. These instructions came from God personally spoken to Moses. They are not just men's opinions or laws; these came from God!

It's obvious in scripture that God considers sexual sin to be really bad, maybe even the worst. Why, I'm not sure. Maybe it's because sexual sin affects and dirties His temple (our bodies). Whatever the reason, God considers sex to be sacred.

The Lord must really be disgusted with how we're living today. Have you ever looked up how many sex offenders are in your neighborhood? I looked up my zip code, and there are 1,386 sex offenders living close to me.

Human trafficking is happening all over the world. You may think it's not happening around you, but it probably is.

In the U.S., Sexual orientation, homosexuality, and adultery are legal, considered normal, and protected.

Today's music, television shows, and internet sites are full of sexual sin. Sexual sin is presented to children every day.

It is so important that we as Christians live in higher standards than the world. Take note of how you live. Is God disgusted with you? What are your children seeing? Make an effort to live right. Strive to be a blessing to God.