

MAKING SENSE OF SEX – PART 2

FIFTY 50 SHADES OF DEEPER GRACE - LOVE SEX AND DATING - PART 5

START TALKING. WITH AN ICEBREAKER QUESTION:

- Yea. I couldn't think of a good ice breaker question for sex, either. Why don't you just tell each other what your favorite team is or something. 😊

START THINKING. ASK QUESTIONS THAT WILL GET YOUR GROUP THINKING.

- What sexual disasters has our nation witnessed over the past 40 years? How willing has our culture been to forgive? What seem to be the requirements and limits on their forgiveness? (i.e. Clinton)
- Read the scriptures on the next pages in preparation for the following conversation.

START SHARING. CHOOSE THE QUESTIONS THAT WILL CREATE OPENNESS.

- Read 1 Corinthians 13, 18. Note the word, flee. Take some time as a group and totally unpack that word. What all does "flee" mean?
- When was a time you felt like you needed to "flee" sexual immorality. If willing, please share why you felt that way, and how you actually "fled."
- Sometimes we choose other options instead of fleeing. With flirt with sexual immorality, or we fight it. Talk about why both of these options are not as wise as fleeing.

Why would you battle a temptation in the future if you have the power to eliminate it today? – Craig Groeschel

- Pastor Mark challenged us to "avoid situations that generate off limits intimacy." How realistic were some of his suggestions in light of reading Proverbs 27:12?
- What guidelines/guardrails do you have to "avoid situations that generate off limits intimacy?"
- Singles were challenged that if dating=sex to go on a dating fast. Realistic? Unreasonable? Would you if you became single again?
- In trying to discern what is sexually allowable in a marriage, Pastor Mark gave the guideline, "avoid coercion and negotiating." How do you think this was received by husbands? Wives? Singles?

START PRAYING. BE BOLD, AND PRAY WITH POWER.

- Father, thank you for making me sexual. I submit that part of me to you, just like my spiritual part. May I honor you in all my life. In Jesus, Name. Amen.

START DOING. COMMIT TO A STEP AND LIVE IT OUT THIS WEEK.

- When are tempted sexually this week, remind yourself that you are weak, and He is strong.

1 Corinthians 6:13 (NIV)

¹³ "Food for the stomach and the stomach for food"--but God will destroy them both. The body is not meant for sexual immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body.

1 Corinthians 6:18 (NIV)

¹⁸ Flee from sexual immorality. All other sins a man commits are outside his body, but he who sins sexually sins against his own body.

Ephesians 5:21 (NIV)

²¹ Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ.

Proverbs 27:12 (NIV)

¹² The prudent see danger and take refuge, but the simple keep going and suffer for it.