

**Scripture:** Proverbs 5 LD. 41:108-109

**Singing:** 228:1-3 – 24:1-3 – 321:1-4 – 438:4 – 143:1, 3

A. What are churches & families who walk in God's holy law?

1. They are to invite the reaction of Deut. 4:6-8

B. What is the overriding intent of God's laws?

7<sup>TH</sup> COMMANDMENT *PROTECT THE GIFT OF OUR SEXUALITY*

I. The gift of our sexuality II. Protecting the gift of sexuality

I. THE GIFT OF OUR SEXUALITY

A. "Sexuality" is our ability to experience sexual feelings

1. This ability and our desire experience our sexuality is **God designed**

2. Let God speak Himself on this subject:

a. Gen. 1:31

b. Hebrews 13:4

c. Proverbs 5:15-23 & Song of Solomon

d. 1 Cor. 7:1-5

3. Conclude: *God created – designed* our sexuality purposely

B. As parents we are to 'train our youth' in Biblical *thinking and living*

1. The breadth of Prov. 22:6 is all commandments

2. To help our children to think Biblically about sexuality, therefore God recorded *good and bad stories* about sexuality

a. good: Song of Solomon – Genesis 26:8 – Prov. 5:19 – Eccl. 9:9

b. bad: Lot and his daughters – Judah – Potiphar's wife – Reuben – David & Bathsheba – Amnon – Proverbs 5-6 – Lev. 18 & numerous New Testament exhortations

3. These Scriptures are to be part of our 'family worship teaching'

C. Consider Eccl. 3:11 – 7:29

II. PROTECTING THE GIFT OF SEXUALITY

A. God did that Himself by giving us *His Law*: example in Lev. 18

1. Reason why God defined boundaries in tribal community

2. His intent is not to *keep us from pleasure* but to *protect and deepen the of the marriage relationship He designed*

**Three Questions:**

A. Was the message uncomfortable because it reminded you of your sins?

B. Was it difficult because it reminded you of what you miss?

C. Was it discouraging for how can I keep my mind and body sexually pure?