Holy Sexuality in Marriage February 11, 2024

Holy sexuality

"God's standard is sex between one man and one woman in a faithful marriage, expressed in a way that demonstrates love for God and one another."

Why did God give us sex?

- 1. For the creation of life (Genesis 1:28)
- 2. For pleasure, joy, and comfort (Genesis 24:67; Song of Solomon; Proverbs 5)
- 3. For unique oneness (Genesis 2:24; 1 Cor. 6:15-17)
- 4. For the remembrance and expectation of our joyful relationship with Christ (Ephesians 5)
- 5. To fight against Satan's attacks (1 Corinthians 7)
- 6. For the glory of God (1 Cor. 6:20; Ephesians 3:21)

Genesis 2:23-24

1 Corinthians 6:15-20

Mal. 2:14-15: Prov. 2:17

Deuteronomy 24:5

Ecclesiastes 9:9a

Song of Solomon

"Song of Solomon" by Douglas O'Donnell thegospelcoalition.org/commentary/song-of-solomon/

1.	She seems to have some insecurity with her body, and he
	responds by extensively expressing his delight in it

Proverbs 5:15-20

- 2. He works hard to communicate with loving, tender, creative words
- 3. He is not only her lover, but also her friend
- 4. She sometimes plays hard to get, drawing him to pursue her; but often seeks him for sex with creative initiation
- 5. The book commends watchfulness against the things that can spoil a couple's sexual enjoyment
- 6. There is a dynamic of permission
- 7. There is an exclusive commitment
- 8. The end of the book is intriguing
- 1 Corinthians 7:1-5
 - 1 Timothy 4:1-4

Ephesians 5:22-33

Hebrews 13:4-5