

Everyday Grace

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- The capacity for sexual feelings
- A person's sexual orientation or preference
- Sexual activity

THE WORLD'S VIEW

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"Fallen man has placed his fleshly sexual desire in a position of preposterous privilege." - C.S. Lewis

Schizophrenic: a long term breakdown in the relation between thought, emotion, and behavior, leading to faulty perception, inappropriate actions and feelings, withdrawal from reality and personal relationships into fantasy and delusion, and a sense of mental fragmentation.

"The distortion of our desires is nowhere more evident than in human sexuality." - L. Winner

"For all nations have drunk the wine of the passion of her sexual immorality, and the kings of the earth have committed immorality with her, and the merchants of the earth have grown rich from the power of her luxurious living." **Rev. 18:3**

THE GOSPEL'S VIEW

I. Deconstructs the idea that the Bible is merely trying to regulate your sexuality.

"We must come to see Scripture not merely as a code of behavior but as a map of God's reality." - Lauren F. Winner

*The Gospel tells the story of: *Creation, Fall, Redemption.*

II. Commands us to fight a fight worth fighting.

"The body and its relationships are the arena in which the moral contest of life must take place." - Wayne Meeks

Marriage is the ONLY thing that can contain sex (buying a house & nuclear energy)

III. Constantly constructing and cultivating the idea that sexuality is not just something that we possess and experience, but a significant means of knowing, and abiding with, our Lord & Savior.

Sexuality is a primary way we learn:

✳️How to Delight in Our Inherent **Dependence** & Our Need for **Diverse** Community (1 Cor.7:4)

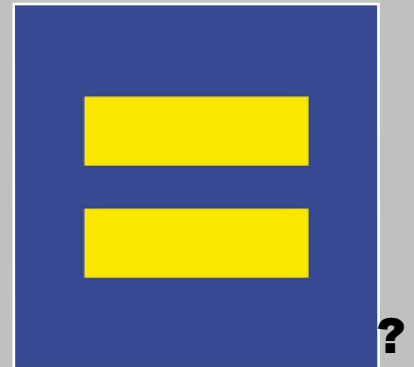
- Marriage
- Homosexuality

✳️How to Sever Our Affinity w/ Selfishness, and Learn How to Serve (Matt. 20:28; 1 Cor. 7:9)

✳️Oneness (Matt. 19:6; Lk. 20:35; Jn. 17:11, 21-22; 1 Cor. 10:17; Gal. 3:28)

-The Trinity, being made in God's image, and Jesus as our Bridegroom.

GOSPEL-CENTERED SEXUALITY



"And I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one."
- **John 17:11**