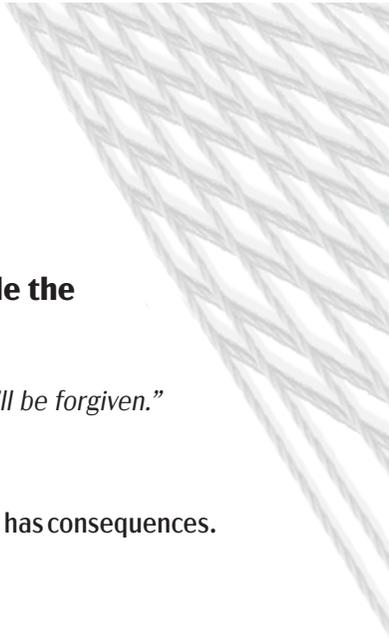


sexual immorality GREEK πορνεία porneia
sexual sin outside the context of a heterosexual couple's marriage

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I. Christians cannot experience God's abundant life outside the bounds of His design for sex.

A. FALSE IDEA: "I have _____ to do what I want because I'll be forgiven."
"All things are lawful for me," but not all things are helpful. v. 12a

> BIBLICAL TRUTH: Christian liberty has _____ because sin has consequences.
"All things are lawful for me," but I will not be dominated by anything. v. 12b

B. FALSE IDEA: "My physical _____ must be met and it won't affect my soul."
"Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food"—
and God will destroy both one and the other. v. 13a

> BIBLICAL TRUTH: You cannot _____ the body from the soul.
The body is not meant for sexual immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. v. 13b

FIRST CORINTHIANS 6:12-20

Out of Bounds

II. First steps to finding freedom from being bound by sexual immorality:

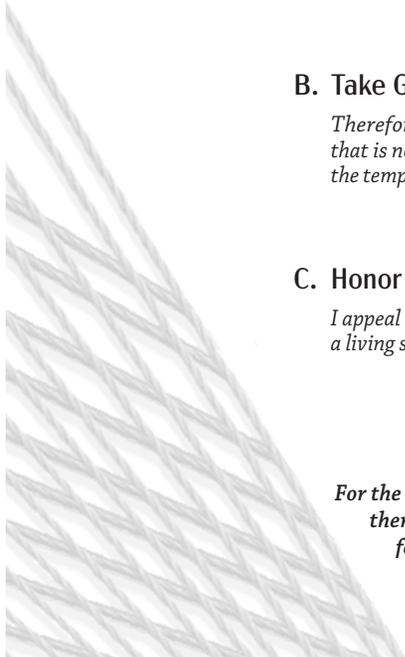
Flee from sexual immorality. All other sins a person commits are outside the body, but whoever sins sexually sins against their own body. Do you not know that your bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your bodies. vv. 18-20

A. Turn your heart back _____ the One who's given you His.
Or do you presume on the riches of his kindness and forbearance and patience, not knowing that God's kindness is meant to lead you to repentance? Romans 2:4

B. Take God's way of _____ to flee temptation.
Therefore let anyone who thinks that he stands take heed lest he fall. No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it. 1 Corinthians 10:12-13

C. Honor God with your _____, who laid down his own to make you His.
I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Romans 12:1

For the love of Christ controls us, because we have concluded this: that one has died for all, therefore all have died; and he died for all, that those who live might no longer live for themselves but for him who for their sake died and was raised.
2 Corinthians 5:14-15



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DEVOTIONAL & HOME GROUP STUDY

1. Read 1 Corinthians 6:12-20. What was the Corinthians' rationale for sexual immorality? How does this rationalizing compare to modern-day attitudes toward sexuality?

2. The statement *All things are lawful for me* may have been a common saying for some Christians in that permissive Corinthian society. What is Paul's rebuttal for those who think this way? (See also Galatians 5:13 and 1 Thessalonians 4:3-5.)

3. What cost is overlooked by those who believe that their liberty in Christ means they will be forgiven for anything they choose to do?

4. What thoughts from this sermon were new for you, or gave you encouragement?

5. Describe how God's grace brings us freedom. How is the Christian's experience of this different from any type of "freedom" we might try to find in the world?



DEACON & ELDER ELECTIONS

Per the Constitution, a members-only congregational vote will be taken by ballot on Sunday, Aug. 29 to affirm nominations for Deacon and Elder candidates. The results will be announced that day at the Annual Meeting in the Sanctuary on the Fort Worth Campus at 1 p.m.

Only constitutional members who have completed the formal membership process at Christ Chapel are eligible to vote. If you are unsure whether or not you are a constitutional member, please contact Kim at KimS@christchapelbc.org.



Scan this QR code to review these names for your prayerful consideration of this year's

Deacon and Elder candidates on our website. Members will receive notification the weekend of the election with a link to the ballot. Paper ballots will also be made available at each campus on the day of the election.

Inquiries regarding candidates should be directed to David White, Elder Board Chairman, at wdwhite@firstcommand.com.

EXERCISE FOR THIS WEEK

"Believers 'are not under law, but under grace' (Rom 6:14). We are not saved by works or kept saved by works. 'For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; not as a result of works, that no one should boast' (Eph 2:8-9; cf. Rom 3:20). Christians are justified, counted righteous and holy in God's sight (Rom 4:22-25). 'Who,' therefore, 'will bring a charge against God's elect? God is the one who justifies' (Rom 8:33). A Christian can commit no sin that is not already covered by God's grace. No sin can forfeit his salvation. No accusation can succeed against the believer. God is the highest court, and He has declared that believers are righteous. There is no higher appeal. That settles the issue." —John MacArthur

No one is immune from sin, and we all have fallen short of God's standard—but there is healing, joy and restoration in Jesus. If you struggle with past sexual sin, take some time to meditate on Romans 8, focusing on the fact that there is no condemnation for those in Christ Jesus, and that nothing can separate you from the love of God. If the struggle seems overwhelming, consider allowing another to walk alongside you, or explore options for classes, groups or one-on-one biblical care at www.ccbcfamily.org/ways-to-grow/soul-care.

COMING UP AT CHRIST CHAPEL

Here's a glimpse at what you need to know for this week at Christ Chapel. If you'd like to find out even more, visit www.ccbcfamily.org/events. That's a great spot to see what's coming up!

GET THE AUGUST CCBC DATE NIGHT EXPERIENCE THIS WEDNESDAY, AUG. 11.

CCBC date nights are made to equip couples with tools for strengthening their relationship and the new August experience is no different! All about finding contentment as a couple, the August plan includes a dinner recipe, some ways to encourage each other, intentional conversation starters and ideas for praying together. Save some time for your next date and then visit www.ccbcfamily.org/events this Wednesday to see the whole plan.

JOIN US AT THE BACK TO SCHOOL

ADVENTURE THIS SATURDAY, AUG. 14! The CCBC Pops Orchestra is bringing a brand-new show to Christ Chapel just in time for the new school year. Made for kids and families, it'll be full of music and cartoons that are sure to put a pep in your step as your family gets back into the freshly sharpened pencils, new backpack and fall routine state of mind. Invite friends and neighbors to join you, then come celebrate this Saturday, Aug. 14 at 10 a.m. in the Sanctuary. To learn more, visit www.ccbcfamily.org/events.

THRIVE APPLICATIONS CLOSE NEXT SUNDAY, AUG. 15.

This fall Thrive is back to give you a place to be real, challenged and changed. Whether you are struggling through anxiety, fear, feeling stuck, spiritual discontentment or something else, there's a place for you at Thrive. The discipleship experience helps you get to the roots of sin and suffering in your life and embrace the freedom and redemption Jesus offers. Learn more and apply this week at www.ccbcfamily.org/thrive.

INVEST IN YOUR MARRIAGE AT RE|ENGAGE THIS FALL.

Together you've faced no shortage of challenges this past year. If you're struggling to get along, worried you're breaking apart or just ready to spend extra time investing in your relationship, we have a place for the two of you at re|engage. Through teaching, a small group community and stories of grace, you'll have the opportunity to work on your relationship together. re|engage starts Sunday, Aug. 22. Learn more and register at www.ccbcfamily.org/reengage.

REGISTER FOR FALL MUSIKGARTEN CLASSES—IT'S ALL KINDS OF MUSIC FUN!

Music is a fantastic way for young children to grow physically, emotionally and socially. That's why we're offering Musikgarten classes starting next month for ages 0 to 5. Your little ones will have fun making sounds, singing along and playing instruments with new friends, plus the class is a way for parents to connect as well! See the fall schedule and register at www.ccbcfamily.org/events.

LOOKING FOR THE CONNECT

CARD? Scan the QR code here to fill out a Connect Card. Our team will reach out this week to answer your questions and tell you more about Christ Chapel.

IF YOU'D LIKE TO GIVE AN OFFERING TODAY, YOU CAN DO SO STRAIGHT FROM YOUR PHONE. The process is quick and easy—just text "CCBCFW" to 833-422-7200 to get started.