



Part 3 - Sexuality and Intimacy
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ICEBREAKER: I think about sex and sexuality.....

- a. about as frequently as I celebrate my birthday
- b. about as often as there is a National holiday
- c. about as often as I celebrate a weekend
- d. more often than I brush my teeth

or

What is the most awkward commercial that comes on tv? (Cialis, Viagra, feminine products, Hardee's commercials with model sensually eating monstrous hamburgers, etc) Why did you pick that one?

MAIN POINT:

**Love is a song where you sing
Only what the other wants to hear**

EXPLORATION:

1. What factors do you think have led to our society being so sexually saturated?

2. Read Song of Solomon 3:1-2. How would you describe the disappointment and frustration the bride felt when she longed for Solomon but she could not find him? How does it feel when you long for companionship, friendship, communication, romance, or sex and things don't work out the way you planned?

3. Read Song of Solomon 5:2-8. In this passage Solomon comes to express his love to his young bride. She is already for bed and does not respond to his advances. He leaves and they both wind up hurt. Describe the emotions related to being disappointed and disappointing someone in a relationship.
4. In a relationship do you think it hurts more to be rejected or reject someone?
5. Read Matthew 6:33. Why is it vitally important to make Christ first in your life and commit every area, even your sexuality, to the Lord?

APPLICATION:

1. Read I Thessalonians 4:3-5. What does this verse indicate about committing your sexuality, your sex life, your body, and your relationships to the Lord?
2. Read Song of Solomon 2:7, 3:5, 8:4. How do these verses emphasize that the Lord has a right time, a right place, a purpose, and a plan for your intimate desires? How does our culture today cheat that concept?
3. How do you think your sexuality and sexual practices line up with the Main Point: "Love is a song where you sing only what the other person wants to hear". (Consider the other person as the Lord, your spouse, or your future spouse)
4. Do you feel like your view of your sexuality or the intimacy in your marriage is where you want it to be? Where the Lord wants it to be? Why or why not?
5. Pray for marriages, individuals, relationships, or issues related to circumstances where sexuality has left scars, disappointment, and frustration.