



Men's Huddle
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Samson – Part 2
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I. The Judges “cycle” – doing what is right in their own eyes.

II. Three situations from Samson's life

A. Situation #1: Judges 14:1

Samson chooses to marry a woman from another _____.

His choice was driven by _____.

B. Situation #2: Judges 16:1

Samson visits a _____.

He narrowly avoids _____.

C. Situation #3: Judges 16:4

Samson again “falls in love” with a _____.

The first three events of Samson's life as recorded in the Bible begin with _____ and sexual _____.

III. Fighting the battle for sexual purity.

1. The power of sexuality

1 Corinthians 6:15: Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ himself? Shall I then take the members of Christ and unite them with a prostitute? Never! ¹⁶ Do you not know that he who unites himself with a prostitute is one with her in body? For it is said, "The two will become one flesh." ¹⁷ But he who unites himself with the Lord is one with him in spirit.

A. God created sex for 1) uniting husband and wife, 2) creating children, and 3) pleasure.

B. The "spiritual bonding" or "uniting" is incremental, not only at intercourse.

2. Flee from sexual immorality

1 Corinthians 6:18: Flee from sexual immorality. All other sins a man commits are outside his body, but he who sins sexually sins against his own body. ¹⁹ Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; ²⁰ you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your body.

A. Sexual immorality is using our sexuality outside the bounds of monogamous, heterosexual, _____.

B. God created sex for one relationship, Satan wants us to use it anywhere and everywhere but in that relationship.

3. The battle for our minds.

Matthew 5:27 "You have heard that it was said, 'Do not commit adultery.' ²⁸ But I tell you that anyone who looks at a woman lustfully has already committed adultery with her in his heart.

A. The Lust Cycle

1. Sexual Desire

Becomes sin when we dwell/fantasize/act on the sexual thoughts

2. Masturbation

3. Drive for pornography

Pornography is any image, audio, video, or thought that you use for sexual stimulation or fantasy.

B. The Impact of the Lust Cycle

1. Powerful _____.
2. Incredible _____.
3. Dramatic _____.

4. An action plan

- A. Honesty and accountability (COMPASS Group – Thursday nights at WBC)
- B. Fighting the battle “in the moment” of temptation
- C. Cancel internet – www.covenanteyes.com – www.opendns.com
- D. Get rid of cable – get rid of TV
- E. “Bounce” your eyes
- F. No meetings/travel/connection alone with women.
- G. When travelling, talk with an accountability partner every day.
- H. Turn hotel movies off. Better yet, don’t even turn hotel TV on.
- I. Don’t wear your glasses at the gym. ☺

V. Conclusion – Proverbs 5

Table discussion questions:

1. What part of today’s message was most helpful to you?
2. If you are choosing to fight the battle against sexual temptation sin, what choices have you made that have been helpful?
3. On a scale of 1-10, how trapped are you by the lust/fantasy cycle? 1 = very free. 10 = very trapped. Has the number changed in the last five years?
4. Did God speak to you this morning and call you to take this battle more seriously? What is the first action step you need to take after this morning?