

# Sermon Notes

Gen. 2; I Cor. 6

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## Modern Day Idols: Sexuality

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- I. Start by Finding Common Ground
- II. Guiding Principles on Sexuality
  - A. We are wonderfully and fearfully made, of immeasurable worth.
  - B. Sexuality includes our emotional, physical, spiritual and social self
  - C. Sexuality, while a wonderful gift of God, can be the target of horrendous abuse and distortion.
- III. Putting it to the Test with the Three D's
  - A. D\_\_\_\_\_
    - 1. A man shall leave his mother and father and cling to his wife and the two shall become one flesh. And they were naked and not ashamed
    - 2. "We believe non-monogamous, promiscuous, casual sex are an abuse of this gift of sexuality"
  - B. D\_\_\_\_\_
    - 1. Cell phone use among teens
    - 2. Study with North Korean soldiers and remote tribes
  - C. D\_\_\_\_\_
    - 1. It's just fine.
    - 2. It's my body
    - 3. We are consenting adults
- IV. Protecting this Gift
  - A. In our Lutheran understanding, we are justified by grace through faith. That is, our agreement or disagreement on issues of sexuality do not (1) define us, (2) impact our salvation, or (3) serve as a means to judge one another.
  - B. Vigilant in preventing this good gift from becoming a modern day idol.