

Sexual Identity of Women & Men; Problems Caused by Premarital Sex; Promise for a Right Person, Gen 2:22-24; Mandate for Sex in Marriage 1 Cor 7:1-5, 9

However, a very good analysis of these principles is the subject of Jody Dillow's comments on the Shulammite's desire to be loved by her right man:

Dillow, Joseph C. Solomon on Sex. (Nashville: Thomas Nelson Publishers, 1977), 36-37;

It is much easier for a woman to establish a sense of sexual identity than for a man. The basic biological functions of menstruation, breast development, changes in bodily form, nursing and bearing children, establish this at an early age. The man, on the other hand, has only one basic biological identity point as far as his masculinity is concerned: his success in lovemaking. This is not to say this defines masculinity biblically-not at all! But it does explain a nearly universally observed difference between men and women. A man can only establish his identity by doing something. The woman, on the other hand, receives her identity passively as her native biological functions mark her so clearly.

Some have suggested that this is a biological reason why males tend toward aggressive behavior and females lean toward more passive behavior. This helps explain why a man's sense of masculinity is so intensely tied to his success as a lover.

It is extremely important to most men that they feel successful in giving their wives sexual fulfillment. If he feels like a sexual failure, it can spill into many other areas of the marriage. He takes a lack of response from his wife in a personal way that many wives fail to understand. When she doesn't express interest equal to his, he thinks she considers him a failure as a man. He has not succeeded in a male function that uniquely defines him as a male. Since a woman doesn't need sexual intercourse to define her as female, she might view her husband's reactions to her lack of interest as "childish." (p. 36)

If you want your husband to act like a man, make him feel like one! Furthermore, pray that the Lord will give you a response pattern that perfectly complements your man. The extent to which you can make him feel like a success in his lovemaking affects his aggressiveness and selfconfidence in the business world, his sense of masculinity, and his motivation to take over spiritual leadership in the home! (pp. 36-37)

- 20. This kind of rapport begins in the soul and is expressed in physical sex in marriage. The soul relationship must be developed first and this is accomplished before marriage.
- 21. Since sex has such volatile potential in young people then it is imperative that they have information on how to identify their right person and how to build the strength of character to remain patient until this discovery is recognized.
- 22. Boys and young men, with or without doctrine, are sexually aggressive. They are mentally weak in their ability to restrain their passions and desires and as a result have the tendency to reject biblical principles that would enable them to consistently do so.
- Consequently, "nice young Christian boys" are in essence predators of "nice young Christian 23. girls" who are themselves more than ready to respond to their pick-up lines.
- Thus their future compatibility with their right persons is damaged by the faulty "experience" that is gained behind the gym, in the backseat of a car, or in a sleazy room at the Airport Inn.
- 25. These experiences are flawed for they contribute nothing and subtract much from the future of those involved. The ecstasy of the moment is quickly replaced either by guilt or an insatiable lust for more. Both contribute to the fulfillment of the warnings found in:

A man who commits adultery with a woman lacks wisdom, whoever does it destroys his own life [เช่ว กephesh: soul].

1 Corinthians 6:18 -Flee sexual immorality! Every sin a person commits is outside of the body, but the immoral person sins against his own body.



- 26. The conscience will convict the wrongdoing and without confidence in the forgiveness found by means of the cross and the grace of God the people involved can easily move into guilt and if left unresolved it devolves into a guilt complex.
- This turns something that God intended to be guilt-free into something that is accepted as 27. wrongdoing but nonetheless belittled by referring to it as "doing the nasty" which is to say, "Nasty to others but all right with me."
- 28. It is only "nasty" because it has been performed outside of its intended environment.
- 29. The physical ramifications are found in either psychosomatic problems in the body or infection by sexually transmitted diseases.
- 30. The error of premarital sex—and there are several categories—can be overcome but only by going through a process that begins with (1) admitting to yourself that you have violated a divine standard, (2) utilization of the basic problem-solving device of rebound: confession alone to God alone of the sin or sins involved, (3) isolation of that sin by believing that God has forgiven it and forgotten it and you are to forgive yourself and forget it as well, and (4) get into a serious study of the Word of God so that the residual scar tissue on the soul can be removed through spiritual growth.
- Failures in this area are often called "youthful indiscretions." This means that the people involved in the act did so because they were ignorant and callow.
- I would say that it was a natural act consummated under the influence of sexual lust minus any reference to biblical standards that implore restraint in which one of two things occurred: (1) the boy or young man sought to fulfill a biological urge and took advantage of a girl or young woman's natural tendency to respond to male aggression or (2) the girl or young woman offered herself to a boy or young man who as an aggressor took advantage of the invitation.
- I would also suggest that the labefaction of moral standards plus lack of parental supervision, plus ignorance of biblical guidance and restraint, plus ubiquitous sex education in the public schools equals a libertine generation that puts no restraint on its decisions and takes no responsibility for its actions.
- 34. This series is designed to remove all these excuses and replace ignorance with wisdom using the resource of Song of Solomon.
- 35. And for those who will take the time to learn the lessons Solomon teaches through his opera there will be the reward of phenomenal happiness in marriage where sex is not only permitted, it is honored, encouraged, and promoted.
- Follow this dream and it shall be yours. The promise of a right person and the mandate for sex within the institution of marriage are found in:
 - Genesis 2:22 Then the Lord God made a woman from the part he had taken out of the man, and he brought her to the man.
 - v. 23 Then the man said, "At last! Bone of my bones, / And flesh out from my flesh; / This one shall be called Woman, / because she was taken out of Man."
 - v. 24 For this reason a man shall leave his father and his mother, and shall have sexual relations face-to-face with his wife; and the two shall become one flesh.
 - 1 Corinthians 7:1 -Now with regard to the issues you wrote about: "It is good for a man not to kindle a fire in a woman because of sexual immoralities."
 - But each man should have marital relations with his own wife and each woman should have marital relations with her own husband.



- A husband should fulfill the sexual needs of his wife, and v. 3 likewise a wife should fulfill the sexual needs of her husband.
- It is not the wife who has these rights to her own body, but the v. 4 husband. In the same way, it is not the husband who has these rights to his own body, but the wife.
- Do not deprive each other, except by agreement for a definite time, so that you may devote yourselves to prayer. Then resume your sexual relationship, so that Satan may not tempt you due to your lack of self-control.
- But if they do not have self-control, let them get married. For it is better to marry than to burn with unfulfilled sexual passion and desire.
- 37. To prevent a distorted memory center and an infirmed body from robbing you of the pleasures reserved for your right person you must deny your marital impulses.
- 38. This is accomplished by focusing on the promise of a right person and the availability of the environment of Eden in your marriage: total freedom to enjoy each other's soul and body in the same innocence as did Adam and Ishah in the garden.