

**Promiscuity: Damaged Souls Produce Damaged Marriages; Government in *Loco Parentis*; Reasons God Forbids Premarital Sex: What Is Truth?**

- 1) When such individuals enter into marriage they bring with them the baggage acquired through premarital sex. If one is promiscuous before marriage he or she will be so in marriage. If they have sexually transmitted diseases prior to marriage they will have them when married. If their conscience has been seared before marriage it remains seared after marriage.
- 2) Premarital sex is a major reason why so many couples are unable to attain compatibility and rapport. These things cannot happen when the attribute of human life that makes these things possible has been damaged or destroyed.
- 3) When several generations withdraw from doctrine then eventually there is an overwhelming number of nubile people who have no means of defending themselves against the passions and desires of their own bodies.
- 4) Instead they become slaves to the lie of what they are told is sexual freedom. This lack of understanding results in the inability to manage a lifetime relationship with another person.
- 5) Destroyed souls and destroyed bodies eventuate in destroyed marriages. When divorce is no longer a trend but the custom then the nation has lost its stability. Parents are at war and children are jerked around from one household to another, living with strangers they now call father or mother and brother and sister.
- 6) And operating as a catalyst to this tragic spiral into madness is a government that has decided to insert itself *in loco parentis*—in the place of the parent. The nurturing of children's souls has been usurped from the family and seized by the state.
- 7) The interesting paradox is that the children's souls have been captured for supposedly the grander purpose of sex education but their souls may not be recognized in the process under penalty of law.
- 8) Consequently, as goes the marriage, so goes the client nation. When the majority of its marriages are in defiance of biblical mandates and when marriage is redefined to include things that destroy marriages and families, then the nation may survive but not as a client nation.

**Reasons God Forbids Premarital Sex:**

1. The classical issue in the Angelic Conflict is volition. The human race is granted the freedom to choose from the two options of right and wrong. The definitions of these terms are found in the Bible.
2. The human mind without biblical guidance will develop standards of behavior based on human viewpoint which are influenced either by emotionalism or rationalism.
3. Those who determine right or wrong based on emotion are at the mercy of motivations that are driven either by lasciviousness or asceticism. Those who are lascivious recognize no boundaries of behavior and thus follow the desires of lust patterns that defy the mandates of conventional standards.
4. Those who are ascetics impose boundaries on behavior that do not exist and thus follow the desires of lust patterns that expand the mandates of conventional standards.

5. What are the conventional standards regarding sex? That depends upon what the Zeitgeist happens to be at the time the question is asked. If it is the 1950s then these standards deplored premarital sex. In the first decade of the twenty-first century it is quite the opposite in the sense that it is either grudgingly accepted or openly practiced.
6. Therefore, what conventional standards happen to be is based upon the spirit of the time when the question is asked.
7. But is there a way to determine from the ebbs and flows of human experimentation in this subject as to which approach is the most beneficial to the health, well-being, and happiness of the culture in which they occur?
8. Dr. Russell Kirk used a phrase to define those principles that endure from one generation to another, those standards that have been proven effective in maintaining order throughout the centuries; he called these the “permanent things.”
9. And when you analyze the standards that history has revealed as “what works” you find that they consist of establishment viewpoint and biblical doctrines expressed in Scripture.
10. There’s a reason for this: Jesus Christ controls history and if He is in control of history then He does so based on standards that He has chosen to impose upon the human experiment.
11. To understand the divine reasoning behind any biblical standard one must view it from the standpoint of God’s eternal purposes and how mankind fits into that plan.