

## 1 Corinthians...*To The Church* – Sexual Integrity Part 5

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Key Verses: 1 Corinthians 6:9-20

Paul is addressing sexual activity within the church that God declares to be out of bounds for his people, but which the surrounding culture embraces, affirms, and celebrates.

Our culture has already reached a consensus on sex. We hear it in our slogans.

- “Love wins.”
- “You do you. Be true to yourself and follow your heart.”
- “My body, my choice. Whatever two consenting adults do in the privacy of their bedroom is fine with me.”

But the gospel ought to entirely change what we think, embrace, and believe about sex.

God’s Truth about Sex and Sexuality:

- Truth # 1 - Those who willfully continue in sin will not share in God’s good and beautiful future.
- Truth # 2 - In Jesus, unrighteousness can be a thing of your past. Jesus has washed you clean, set you apart for his purposes, and restored your relationship with God. Live like it!
- Truth # 3 - Your body was meant to glorify God.
- Truth # 4 - Your body has a future. You will be raised, body and soul, so what you do with your body matters for both the present and the future.
- Truth # 5 - Sexual intercourse creates a mysterious, yet real and enduring connection between sexual partners. Any sexual activity outside the bounds of God’s intended design creates a tearing between you and God.

Living Faithfully (and Sexually) as the People of God

- “Flee from sexual immorality.” (1 Cor. 6:18)
- “You are not your own, for you were bought with a price, so glorify God in your body.” (1 Cor. 6:19-20)

