

ADULTERY'S HIGH PRICE; GOD'S HOLY REDEMPTION

(Part 1)

The Bible passages this morning are...

Exodus 20.14

- 1. PEOPLE ENGAGED IN ADULTERY HAVE A RADICALLY FLAWED VIEW OF SEXUALITY.**
- 2. IT IS A DANGEROUSLY FLAWED VIEW OF SEXUALITY.**

The cost of adultery is enormous... and the price is never right.

Proverbs 6:25-29

²⁵Do not lust in your heart after her beauty or let her captivate you with her eyes, ²⁶for the prostitute reduces you to a loaf of bread, and the adulteress preys upon your very life. ²⁷*Can a man scoop fire into his lap without his clothes being burned?* ²⁸*Can a man walk on hot coals without his feet being scorched?* ²⁹So is he who sleeps with another man's wife; no one who touches her will go unpunished.

1 Corinthians 6.13-20

¹³... The body is not meant for sexual immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. ¹⁴By his power God raised the Lord from the dead, and he will raise us also. ¹⁵Do 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!

¹⁶Do 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.

¹⁸Flee from sexual immorality. All other sins a man commits are outside his body, but he who sins sexually sins against his own body. ¹⁹Do 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; ²⁰you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your body.

- 3. THE GODLY VIEW OF SEXUALITY.**

Matthew 19.4-6

⁴"Haven't you read," he replied, "that at the beginning the Creator 'made them male and female,' and said, 'For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh' ⁶So they are no longer two, but one. *Therefore what God has joined together, let man not separate.*"

The only God-honoring, relationship-building, long-term socially beneficial expression of human sexuality is between a man and woman, within their shared commitment to a lifetime together as expressed in marriage.

***But our God is a God of
mercy, grace, and
restoration.***