

Sermon Questions

2 Peter 2:1-10

Sexual Ethics

1. What stood out to you in this week's message?
2. Peter warns us of false teachers and the problems they create. First, there is a danger of being deceived; and second, false teachers promote unrighteousness. Please take a moment and discuss these dangers and how they can infiltrate the church.
3. Peter makes it clear that the false teachers are promoting wrong behavior in the form of sexual immorality. Why is this such a relevant topic in the church today? How have we seen sexuality viewed in our culture and how does that differ from what Scripture tells us?
4. When we, by faith, became Christians, we were given the opportunity to participate in the divine nature. Why is it impossible for non-Christians to participate in the divine nature? As Christians, what is our role in bringing non-believers to Christ and how can we help grow God's Kingdom?
5. Pastor Jim shared that struggles with illicit sexual desire do not have to be our master. God has provided the opportunity in Christ for us to be a new person. Please read 2 Corinthians 5:17 and discuss the importance of this knowledge, that we are made new in Christ.
6. In a sexually-charged world, it is important that we understand God's Word regarding sexual ethics. Read the following Scripture passages: 1 Corinthians 6:19-20; Matthew 19:9; Deuteronomy 22:20-21; John 4:16-18; 1 Corinthians 7:36; 1 Corinthians 6:9-11; 1 Corinthians 6:15; and Matthew 27-30. What do these Scriptures make clear? In Matthew 5:27-30, how does Jesus say we should respond to lust and pornography tendencies in our lives?
7. Spend some time in prayer as a group. First, thank God for his Word which reveals the truth of God to us and forgiveness through his Son, Jesus Christ. Next, if comfortable, ask for forgiveness for any sexual sin. Be encouraged that as a Christian you can be healed and restored through the grace and mercy of Christ.