

Parent Guide

High School Session 2

Major Points

1. God created us in His image (Genesis 1:27). Therefore, when male and female come together sexually to be united as one in the context of marriage, they present the full image of God.
2. When we become intimate with another person outside of marriage, we begin to chip away at the full image of God. Instead, we only see the tainted image.
3. God has a desire for sex and intimacy.
 - a. Sex is created for...
 - i. Procreation (Genesis 1:28)
 - ii. Union between a husband and wife (Genesis 2:24)
 - iii. Mystery – relationship of husband and wife compared to relationship of Christ with the church (Ephesians 5:31-32)
 - b. Intimacy – we weren't created for isolation. We desire connection to others and intimacy provides that. The unfortunate conclusion many have come to is sex and intimacy are the same thing.
 - c. Intimacy and sex are not the same thing, however, intimacy and sex can both lead us away from God's desire – to wholly seek Him.

Discussion Questions

1. What does the world tell us sex is for? What does God's word tell us sex is for?
2. Is it possible to be intimate without having sex? Explain.
3. Do you think intimacy can be a dangerous thing? Why or why not?
4. Why do you think some people substitute sex for intimacy?
5. Have you seen any of your friends make the mistake of thinking sex and intimacy are the same? What happened?
6. How do you think God wants us to be in relationship with the opposite sex? Is it ok to be intimate as long as you don't have sex?
7. Was there anything said in this session that you don't understand?
8. Was there anything said in this session that you don't agree with?