



2. LIVE FREE

Read 1 Corinthians 6.12-20

- Why do you think Scripture puts such a big emphasis on avoiding sexual immorality? Why don't we talk about sex in church as much as the Bible does?
- The Corinthians literally worshipped sex. In what ways is our culture like theirs, and what effect has it had on our society?
- Philip said it's important that we interrogate and critique what 'everyone says' about sex, thinking through the implications and bigger picture. Is this a helpful way to think through sexual ethics?

We examined the Corinthian sayings on sex – 'I have the right to do anything' and 'food for the stomach' (ie. it's just physical). Here are a few contemporary sayings we didn't look at. Choose one, or more, to critique as a group, through the lens of Biblical principles:

- 'Failing to indulge your sexual urges is unnatural and actually harmful.'
 - 'Sex is a beautiful way to show someone you love them.'
 - 'Putting boundaries on sexual practice means you're repressed'
 - 'Fooling around when you're young is fine. You can always settle down later when you find your true love.'
- How can we support one another as a Hub – those in relationships, those not – so that we live free and whole in a sex saturated society?

BIG IDEA: We need to develop a sexual ethic that isn't just influenced by what everyone else around us says, but what is actually helpful and true. No matter what we've done, Jesus cleanses and justifies us. We can live free in the power of the Spirit.

Take time to pray for one another. It might be helpful to split into male/female groups. Confess your sins, accept the forgiveness of God and ask for His strength and power to live free.