

FIRST CHURCH CELEBRATION WORSHIP

[11.01.20]

Scripture: Exodus 20:1-17
Message: God Loves Marriage
Songs: *Holy, Holy, Holy [#262]*
Holy Is The Lord
Open Up The Heavens
His Mercy Is More
How Deep The Father's Love
My Jesus I Love Thee [#364]

Participating in Worship

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Pastor Bob Johnson

The Big 10

11.08 Don't Steal
11.15 Don't Lie
11.22 Don't Covet



THE BIG 10

GOD LOVES MARRIAGE

EXODUS 20:1-17

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PASTOR BOB JOHNSON

THE GIFT GOD GIVES

Eros love is a gift from God reserved only for marriage between a man and a woman.

What happens when this gift turns into an idol?

- As a gift it leads to pleasure and fulfillment; as an idol it leads to emptiness.
- As a gift it brings connection; as an idol it brings loneliness.
- As a gift it brings satisfaction; but as an idol, it demands slavery.
- As a gift it brings intimacy; as an idol it brings separation.
- As a gift it brings unity; as an idol it often causes divorce.

DEFILING THE GIFT

- There is to be marital fidelity
- There is to be sexual purity.
- There is to be appropriate distance.
- We are to protect, protect, protect and not see what we can get away with.

SEX IS LIKE SUPER GLUE. WHEN USED PROPERLY, IT SEALS THE COVENANT OF MARRIAGE. WHEN USED IMPROPERLY IT ALWAYS CREATES AN AWFUL MESS.

THE DEADLY SIN OF LUST

Finally brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable—if there is any moral excellence and if there is anything praiseworthy—dwell on these things. [Philippians 4:8]

THE GIFT REDEEMED

David's Folly [2 Samuel 12:13]

David's Confession [Psalm 51:1-2]

David's Appeal for Forgiveness [Psalm 51:7]

David's Appeal for God to Work in Him [Psalm 51:10-12]

What does the seventh commandment teach us?

That God condemns all unchastity,¹ and that therefore we should thoroughly detest it² and live decent and chaste lives,³ within or outside of the holy state of marriage.

¹ Lev. 18:30; Eph. 5:3-5 ² Jude 22-23 ³ 1 Cor. 7:1-9; 1 Thess. 4:3-8; Heb. 13:4

Does God, in this commandment, forbid only such scandalous sins as adultery?

We are temples of the Holy Spirit, body and soul, and God wants both to be kept clean and holy. That is why God forbids all unchaste actions, looks, talk, thoughts, or desires,¹ and whatever may incite someone to them.²

¹ Matt. 5:27-29; 1 Cor. 6:18-20; Eph. 5:3-4 ² 1 Cor. 15:33; Eph. 5:18