# Twisted Sexual Design

God's Ways Are Higher Than Our Ways

## Intro: Important Life Lesson

Two men died playing with fire when God told them not to.

Now Nadab and Abihu, the sons of Aaron, took their respective firepans, and after putting fire in them, placed incense on it and offered strange fire before the LORD, which He had not commanded them. And fire came out from the presence of the LORD and consumed them, and they died before the LORD. Leviticus 10:1-2 (NASB)

The person who breaks the marriage commitment will get burned.

Can a man scoop a flame into his lap and not have his clothes catch on fire? Can he walk on hot coals and not blister his feet? So it is with the man who sleeps with another man's wife. He who embraces her will not go unpunished. Proverbs 6:27-29 (NLT2)

Sex out of bounds is like a forest fire out of control causing damage and destruction.

It is good for a man not to touch a woman. 1 Corinthians 7:1 (NASB)

## Thayer's Greek Lexicon

#### To **touch**

- 1. properly, to fasten to, make adhere to; hence, specifically to fasten fire to a thing, to kindle, set on fire
- 2. γυναικός, of carnal intercourse with a woman, or cohabitation

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### Basic

Everything was created through him and for him. Colossians 1:15-16 (NLT2)

Genders and Sex

#### SACRED

So God created human beings in his own image. In the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. Then God blessed them and said, "Be fruitful and multiply. Fill the earth and govern it. Reign over the fish in the sea, the birds in the sky, and all the animals that scurry along the ground." Genesis 1:27-28 (NLT2)

## GOD-DESIGNED AND SACRED GENDERS

God's Image Bearers: Man and Woman

## GOD-DESIGNED AND SACRED MARRIAGE

#### MALE AND FEMALE

Complementary Companions Intentional Intimacy Spiritual and Sexual Bastion of Beauty and Bliss

## The World's Twist on Sex

# God's design is unacceptable Natural and sacred don't satisfy lusts

God's will is for you to be holy, so stay away from all sexual sin. Then each of you will control his own body and live in holiness and honor— not in lustful passion like the pagans who do not know God and his ways. 1 Thessalonians 4:3-5 (NLT2)

## Stop the Flood

#### Sexual Misuse and Abuse

Stricter rules don't stop the flood...

Opening the flood gates don't stop the flood...

#### An Answer

Redeemed sexuality in Christ stops the flood

## Getting it Right

## God's Design for Sex is Best

So humble yourselves before God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Come close to God, and God will come close to you. Wash your hands, you sinners; purify your hearts, for your loyalty is divided between God and the world.

Let there be tears for what you have done. Let there be sorrow and deep grief. Let there be sadness instead of laughter, and gloom instead of joy. Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up in honor. James 4:7-10 (NLT2)

## Living in the World

