

January 16, 2022
The Bridge Bible Fellowship
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Selected Scriptures

“Biblical Sexual Morality: A Hill to Die On”

I. What is the concern?

II. How did we get here?

A. Biblically

B. Historically

III. Why must we resist?

IV. What should we do?

Discussion & Application:

1. Sexual Freedom and Religious Freedom are on a collision course. Some have called it “The Coming Tsunami.” What is currently happening in Canada and Great Britain that is of concern to individuals and religious groups that believe in biblical sexual morality? What similar legal issues are we experiencing in the U.S.?
2. What is the origin and meaning of the phrase, “That’s a hill to die on”? [Yes, I know I put a preposition at the end of a sentence but that is the common way it is stated] What are some examples of hills that you would not die on? What are some examples of hills that you would die on?
3. Why does Pastor Paul believe that biblical sexual morality is a hill to die on? Do you agree or disagree? [Note: if you disagree, please email your biblical reasons to Pastor Paul]
4. Founding Father **John Adams** stated in 1798, “*the happiness of a people and the good order and preservation of civil government essentially depend upon piety, religion, and morality.*” He warned, “*We have no government armed with power capable of contending with human passions unbridled by morality and religion. Avarice, ambition, revenge, or gallantry would break the strongest cords of our Constitution as a whale goes through a net. Our Constitution was made only for a moral and religious people. It is wholly inadequate to the government of any other.*”
What has changed in America since John Adams made those statements? What has contributed to the radical departure from biblical morality?
5. What is Satan’s role in promoting immorality? What strategies does he use? Review the sermons on 1/2/22 and 1/9/22 by Jeff Borchardt and Joe Leinen. (See Col. 2; Gen. 3; Mt. 4; 1 John 2:15-17)
6. What does the Bible say about sexual morality? What does it say about LGBTQ+ beliefs and practices? List specific references. How would you summarize God’s will for sex?
7. If we resist the LGBTQ+ movement, we will be described as hateful and “phobic.” What does the Bible say about why we must speak up on these issues? What are the consequences for people who have a lifestyle of sexual immorality (or any other pattern / lifestyle of sin)? List biblical references.
8. In his 1983 Templeton Prize address, Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn offered this summary explanation for why all the horrors of Soviet communism came to pass: “**Men have forgotten God; that’s why all this has happened.**” Solzhenitsyn also said, “**Today’s world has reached a state which, if it had been described to preceding centuries, would have called forth the cry: ‘This is the Apocalypse!’ Yet we have grown used to this kind of world; we even feel at home in it.**”
What evidence is there that even professing Christians have started to feel at home in a world that has forgotten God and is practicing sexual immorality? What evidence is there in your life? Note specific words, phrases, entertainment, etc. What can you do to minimize the world’s influence on your thoughts, words, attitudes, and actions?
9. One of our biblical responsibilities is to demonstrate the beauty and wisdom of living according to God’s will. Titus 2 describes it as “adorning the doctrine of God our Savior in every respect.” God has clearly declared that sex is intended exclusively for one man and one woman in a marriage covenant for a lifetime. No premarital sex. No adultery. How can we demonstrate to the world that God’s way is right? That obeying Him is the happiest and most fulfilling way to live?
10. What specific things can we do as a church to resist the lies of the sexual revolution? Discuss personal holiness, evangelism, discipleship, etc. What are the best ways we can address these issues politically?