

Culture	Church	Bible (this does spill into church...)
<p>Sex is the best thing ever Yes. Not only is it the BEST thing...it is THE BEST thing</p>	<p>Sex is the best ever...and all you singles are missing out.</p> <p>Sex is dirty...save it for someone you love.</p> <p>Sex is bad</p> <p>SILENCE</p>	<p>Sex is a good thing...within a specific covenanted relationship between an man & woman (called marriage)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Gen.1& 2 - Eph. 5 - Song of Solomon <p>Paraphrase Tim Keller here “the bible begins with a naked man singing rapturous love songs over a naked woman, in the presence of God.”</p>
<p>It’s your right to sexually express yourself Yep! You actually HAVE to sexually express yourself if you are to be complete.</p>	<p>We are confused on this. We are sexual beings...but do we all necessarily have the right to sexually express our ANY of our desires?</p> <p>SILENCE</p>	<p>Sexual desires, like any of our desires, must be brought under the Lordship of Jesus Christ.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Eph. 5 - 1 Cor. 6 & 7 - Matt 5 - Matt 16:24 - Take up your cross and follow me.
<p>Really...everyone who has a pulse wants sex.</p>	<p>Men want sex. Women are emotional beings.</p> <p>SILENCE</p>	<p>You have sexual desire - Paul addresses this specifically when talking about - get married if you have these desires! 1 Cor. 7</p>
<p>Virginity...”it is some kind of disease you want to cure or something. Get rid of it the first chance you get!” (Elizabeth Elliot)</p>	<p>Virginity is the ideal, but we are human...and sinful...and sexual...</p> <p>How far to you until you</p> <p>Or...we know we are going to get married...so why wait? The commitment is there...we are planning a wedding...</p> <p>WRONG: the commitment is NOT there. The intention to commit is there...but the commitment itself has not been made.</p> <p>What is virginity? Is it just that you haven’t had sex?</p>	<p>The body is not meant for sexual immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. ¹⁴ And God raised the Lord and will also raise us up by his power. ¹⁵ Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I then take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! ¹⁶ Or do you not know that he who is joined^[d] to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For, as it is written, “The two will become one flesh.” ¹⁷ But he who is joined to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. ¹⁸ Flee from sexual immorality. Every other sin^[e] a person commits is outside the body, but the sexually immoral person sins against his own body. ¹⁹ Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own, ²⁰ for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body. 1 Cor.6</p>

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Boundaries are legalistic and prudish. Do what you want!	How far is too far? SILENCE	Psalm 16 – Jesus as Lord means “the boundary lines for me have fallen in pleasant places...”
Love & lust – what difference does it make?	Love – 1 Cor 13 – other oriented Lust – sexual desires = bad Confuse genuine affection (love) with sexual attraction SILENCE	²⁷ “You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall not commit adultery.’ ²⁸ But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lustful intent has already committed adultery with her in his heart. Matt 5:27 Lust – greed & idolatry
Sex is all about you, what you want!	Sex is about two people, and mutually serving the other through sexual expression in a committed relationship.	Sex is about a man and a woman, within marriage, giving pleasure to each other. ⁷ Now concerning the matters about which you wrote: “It is good for a man not to have sexual relations with a woman.” ² But because of the temptation to sexual immorality, each man should have his own wife and each woman her own husband. ³ The husband should give to his wife her conjugal rights, and likewise the wife to her husband. ⁴ For the wife does not have authority over her own body, but the husband does. Likewise the husband does not have authority over his own body, but the wife does. ⁵ Do not deprive one another, except perhaps by agreement for a limited time, that you may devote yourselves to prayer; but then come together again, so that Satan may not tempt you because of your lack of self-control. (Song of Solomon)
Your sexual expression (or lack of it) says something about you as a person. Your sexuality defines you.	SILENCE We are confused on this. Because we know that: our sexuality is not dissociated from the rest of ourselves. In other words, it is a part of who we are. But it is not ALL of who we are. It does not define us (in other words, we do not find our identity in it) and it does not (or shouldn’t) DRIVE US.	2 Cor. 5:16 ¹⁶ From now on, therefore, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we once regarded Christ according to the flesh, we regard him thus no longer. ¹⁷ Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. ^[6] The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.
What I do with my body is my business, not yours, because it doesn’t affect you.	What you do with your body is our business. Only we are not clear exactly about what that means, or how it works out practically.	⁷ But he who is joined to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. ¹⁸ Flee from sexual immorality. Every other sin ^[6] a person commits is outside the body, but the sexually immoral

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