

SEX TALKS: *I didn't Think it Would Happen to Me—Pregnancy*

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Casual sex. New boyfriend sex. Old boyfriend sex. One thing leads to another and, bah dah boom - bah dah bing. Sex has consequences whether or not an unexpected and inconvenient pregnancy occurs.

TEACHING POINTS

- Sex outside of marriage is sin. Hiding doesn't make sin go away. Confession is the healthier choice.
- Guilt is your choice—Jesus forgives. Jesus carries your burdens. Give him the guilt.
- Sin doesn't cover sin, or remove it. Two wrongs don't make a right.
- Receive grace, display grace.

Is it really a problem? Yeah, it is!

Consider the following questions:

- How would you feel if someone stole something from you? Would you feel any better if you didn't who it was because they didn't get caught?
- Which is the worst result of sin? 1. People know you made a bad choice and are a sinner. 2. You are in rebellion from God and don't confess it or deal with it properly.
- Do you completely understand the consequences of sin? How do you know? What about it worries you?

Reach Matthew 5:27-30

- Does this passage give you an idea of how serious sin is?
- Why don't people treat it as serious as God does?

REVIEW THE SIXTH COMMANDMENT

You shall not commit adultery.

What does this mean?

We should fear and love God so that we lead a sexually pure and decent life in what we say and do, and husband and wife love and honor each other.

- Do you think breaking the 5th commandment will help you with your 6th commandment problem?
- Why is that flawed logic so often used in our society?

WHO BEST DEALS WITH THE PROBLEM? JESUS DOES.

Read John 4:13-14:

Jesus answered, "Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks the water I give him will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life."

Read John 8:3-11 :

The teachers of the law and the Pharisees brought in a woman caught in adultery. They made her stand before the group and said to Jesus, "Teacher, this woman was caught in the act of adultery. In the Law Moses commanded us to stone such women. Now what do you say?" They were using this question as a trap, in order to have a basis for accusing him. But Jesus bent down and started to write on the ground with his finger. When they kept on questioning him, he straightened up and said to them, "If any one of you is without sin, let him be the first to throw a stone at her." Again he stooped down and wrote on the ground. At this, those who heard began to go away one at a time, the older ones first, until only Jesus was left, with the woman still standing there. Jesus straightened up and asked her, "Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?" "No one, sir," she said. "Then neither do I condemn you," Jesus declared. "Go now and leave your life of sin."

- Does Jesus have a problem forgiving sexual sins? Do you think it's any different when it results in pregnancy?

THE SINNING RESPONSE TO SIN

A case in how not to handle it: David & Bathsheba

Read 2 Samuel 11.

- What do you think was most displeasing to the LORD?
- Describe a time when you think committing a sin helped one take care of another sin.

Sin is sin. Let Jesus help you with the consequences .

REVIEW THE LORD'S PRAYER: THE FIFTH PETITION

And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.

What does this mean?

We pray in this petition that our Father in heaven would not look at our sins, or deny our prayer because of them. We are neither worthy of the things for which we pray, nor have we deserved them, but we ask that He would give them all to us by grace, for we daily sin much and surely deserve nothing but punishment. So we too will sincerely forgive and gladly do good to those who sin against us.

Sometimes we fail to take Jesus at his word. An old pastor once said, "God wants to forgive your sins more than you want to confess it."

- What do you think of that quote?
- How would our enemy, the Devil, have us deal with sin? Why would we follow that path?
- Could you help someone in showing what God has done for you? Would that be a better choice than hurting someone secretly?

Read 2 Corinthians 4:1-2:

Therefore, since through God's mercy we have this ministry, we do not lose heart. Rather, we have renounced secret and shameful ways; we do not use deception, nor do we distort the word of God. On the contrary, by setting forth the truth plainly we commend ourselves to every man's conscience in the sight of God.

If you are pregnant, you have some things to deal with. Decisions to make. But those decisions don't need to end the life of your baby. How about your life? The end? Even if it feels that way, it doesn't mean the end of your life.

Jesus loves you. Jesus' forgiveness and life is yours—and your baby's.

Read Romans 8:28 and find comfort in this promise, which is yours today by faith in the One promising.

POSSIBLE MEDIA RESOURCES:

The Source for Youth Ministry, Movie Clip Discussions "Bella" (2006)

Link: <http://www.thesource4ym.com/videoclips/videoclip.asp?ID=188>

YouTube – "Juno" (2007) abortion clinic clip

Link: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N3G48HsLPnU>