

STARTING AND CONTINUING CONVERSATIONS WITH CHILDREN  
SESSION 2

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# “THE TALK”

# TRIVIA REVIEW

## QUESTIONS 1

- ▶ As we look at biblical sexuality what is the most important thing to get right?
- ▶ Hint "listen or hear"

## QUESTIONS 2

▶ A biblical view of gender says that gender is \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ by God



## QUESTIONS 3

- ▶ What are the three conditions of biblical sexuality? Give a bible reference to support this conclusion.

**4 “HEAR, O ISRAEL: THE LORD OUR GOD, THE LORD IS ONE. 5 YOU SHALL LOVE THE LORD YOUR GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART AND WITH ALL YOUR SOUL AND WITH ALL YOUR MIGHT”**

**Deuteronomy 6:4–5 (SHEMA)**

## BIBLICAL SEXUALITY REVIEW

- ▶ Sex and sexuality is made by **God** and is **Good**
- ▶ Three conditions of biblical sexual expression
  - ▶ Married - only for husbands and wives
  - ▶ Monogamous - only one husband and wife
  - ▶ Heterosexual - only for married man and woman
- ▶ Biblical sex is glorifying to God and is worshipful

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## THE GOAL OF COMMUNICATING

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- ▶ To bring CLARITY to a topic surrounded by CONFUSION
- ▶ Foster relationships built on honest and open communication
- ▶ Rightly represent God through proper expression of sexuality

## THE ROLE OF COMMUNICATING

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- ▶ 1st - Parents (Primary voice)
- ▶ 2nd - Church (Supportive voice)
- ▶ 3rd - Culture (Confused or conflicting voice)

## 4 FOUNDATIONS TO COMMUNICATE BIBLICAL SEXUALITY

- ▶ Modeling biblical sexuality
- ▶ Communicating biblical sexuality
- ▶ Correcting back to biblical foundation
- ▶ Continuing engagement

## THE POWER OF MODELING

- ▶ What we do becomes normalized to our children
- ▶ If we do it they are more likely to do it
- ▶ Children of divorced parents are 60% more likely to get divorced
- ▶ Trends like this can be found in many other areas
- ▶ A Godly marriage is a powerful thing

## MODELING BIBLICAL SEXUALITY AS PARENTS

- ▶ Your kids are watching you and learning
- ▶ Different type of love
  - ▶ Physical and verbal display of affection and attraction
  - ▶ “smoochy kisses”
- ▶ Your spouse is your standard of beauty
- ▶ Flirt well and often with your spouse in front of your children

# COMMUNICATING

- ▶ Your children are going to learn about sex somewhere
- ▶ Starting earlier is better than playing catch up
- ▶ When to start?
  - ▶ Based on child's understanding and maturity
  - ▶ Start talking about it as a couple from your experiences
  - ▶ Understand your children have more access now than you did
  - ▶ Get ahead of the curve

## COMMUNICATING

- ▶ Questions to consider asking
  - ▶ How do you think babies are made
  - ▶ Do you know why boys and girls are different
  - ▶ Do you know the names of sexual organs
  - ▶ How do you hear sex being talked about at school
  - ▶ Have you ever seen a picture of a naked person
  - ▶ What would you do if you were to see a picture of a naked person

## OPEN AND HONEST COMMUNICATION

- ▶ Be honest with your experience in an appropriate way
- ▶ Be willing to ask the uncomfortable questions first
- ▶ Affirm with your child your willingness and availability to talk about sexuality
  - ▶ They will come to you first
- ▶ If you need to learn about something, what's the first thing you do?



## CORRECTION

- ▶ Remember the commonality of sexual sin
  - ▶ we all have gotten this wrong at some point
- ▶ Ask questions
  - ▶ Why did you look at that
  - ▶ What did you search for that
  - ▶ Why did you say that

## CORRECTION

- ▶ Always go back to biblical foundation
- ▶ Sexuality is made by God and is good
- ▶ What you are feeling and experiencing is natural and normal
- ▶ God really cares about how sexuality is expressed

## CORRECTION

- ▶ Do not be afraid to share from your experience in a appropriate way
- ▶ Always truth with love
- ▶ Follow up on issues of sexual sin or confusion
- ▶ Remember and remind that Jesus is fully capable of restoring and redeeming all areas of sin or confusion in our lives even sexual sin or confusion

## CORRECTION

- ▶ Sin in general and sexual sin in particular can trigger three negative responses
  - ▶ Isolation - I am alone in this
  - ▶ Silence - I cannot talk about this
  - ▶ Shame - I will be judged for the wrong I have done
- ▶ If we communicate and correct well we can combat these lies

## CONTINUING ENGAGEMENT

- ▶ Ask questions often
  - ▶ what are your friends views of sexuality
  - ▶ how do your friends talk about sexuality
  - ▶ what are you posting or seeing posted
  - ▶ what is your response when you are shown something that is sexually suggestive or explicit

## CONTINUING ENGAGEMENT

- ▶ Remember that what students are thinking, feeling, hearing and experiencing regarding sexuality is likely rapidly changing
- ▶ Remember that students are highly confused about sexuality
- ▶ Remember that students are highly experimental with their sexuality
- ▶ Look for ways to cheer success in biblical expression of sexuality

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**Deuteronomy 6:7–9 (SHEMA)**