

SERMON NOTES

“Moral Margin and Sexuality”

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Margin is the amount of whatever is available beyond what is needed.

Moral Margin & Sexual Behavior

What is sexual immorality?

BASIC CULTURAL NOTIONS

- Don't go to bed with someone else's spouse
- The problem is that there are a lot of unhealthy things that can happen between here and that line

CHRISTIAN PERSPECTIVE

- Jesus re-defined morality and immorality
- Matthew 5:27-28

PAUL'S ADVICE

- 1st Corinthians 6:18-20
- Colossians 3:1-2 & 5

Moving into the “Danger Zone”

1. Brings spiritual and relational harm (1st Corinthians 6:17-20)
2. Impacts our thought life
3. Numbs us to what is healthy and right
4. Breeds dissatisfaction
5. Breeds a sense of shame

How do we get out of the “zone”

1. Begin with truly owning the problem and going to God (James 1:5-8)
2. Talk with somebody (James 5:13-16)
3. Let go of entitlement
4. Take practical steps associated with repentance

Turn to Christ and accept his offer for forgiveness, power and healing.