

The Works of The Flesh

Galatians 5:19-21 *"Now the deeds of the flesh are evident, which are: immorality, impurity, sensuality, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, outbursts of anger, disputes, dissensions, factions, envying, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these, of which I forewarn you, just as I have forewarned you, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. "*

The Works of the Flesh ~ Sexual Sin

- **Galatians 5:19** *"Now the deeds of the flesh are evident, which are: immorality, impurity, sensuality,"*
- The difficulty we face in a culture that views sexual immorality as normal and customary, is that we will be deceived, thinking its not that bad.
 - **1 Corinthians 6:9** *"Or do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived; neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor homosexuals, "*
 - **1 Corinthians 6:13** *"Now the body is not for sexual immorality but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body."*

Sexual Immorality

- **Immorality** – porneia ~ unsanctioned sexual intercourse. (BDAG)
- When is it sanctioned?
 - **Between a husband and wife!!!**
 - **1 Corinthians 7:2** *"But because of immoralities, each man is to have his own wife, and each woman is to have her own husband."*
 - **Proverbs 5:1-18** Immorality seems as sweet as honey and as smooth as oil, but it turns bitter and will ruin your life.

Impurity

- **Impurity** – akatharsia ~ literally means something is “dirty”, figuratively means “a state of moral corruption” especially of sexual sins. (BDAG)
 - **2 Corinthians 12:21** *"I am afraid that when I come again my God may humiliate me before you, and I may mourn over many of those who have sinned in the past and not repented of the impurity, immorality and sensuality which they have practiced."*
 - **Ephesians 5:3** *"But immorality or any impurity or greed must not even be named among you, as is proper among saints; "*

Sensuality

- **Sensuality** – aselgeia ~ a lack of self-constraint involving ones conduct, especially of sexual excesses. (BDAG)
 - **1 Peter 4:3** *"For the time already past is sufficient for you to have carried out the desire of the Gentiles, having pursued a course of sensuality, lusts, drunkenness, carousing, drinking parties and abominable idolatries. "*
 - **Jude 4** *"For certain persons have crept in unnoticed, those who were long beforehand marked out for this condemnation, ungodly persons who turn the grace of our God into licentiousness and deny our only Master and Lord, Jesus Christ. "*

And The Like

- **And the Like** - homosexuality, prostitution, pornography, movies, TV, art, music, etc.
 - **Romans 1:24-29** *"Therefore God gave them over in the lusts of their hearts to impurity, so that their bodies would be dishonored among them. For they exchanged the truth of God for a lie, and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever. Amen. For this reason God gave them over to degrading passions; for their women exchanged the natural function for that which is unnatural, and in the same way also the men abandoned the natural function of the woman and burned in their desire toward one another, men with men committing indecent acts and receiving in their own persons the due penalty of their error. And just as they did not see fit to acknowledge God any longer, God gave them over to a depraved mind, to do those things which are not proper, being filled with all unrighteousness, wickedness, greed, evil; full of envy, murder, strife, deceit, malice; they are gossips, "*