In Defense of Biblical Morality

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INTRODUCTION

- What I'm concerned about tonight is defending God's eternal standard for morality.
- But as he who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct. Because it is written, be holy, for I am holy.
- Appeal to people on the basis of the holy word of a holy God in defense of biblical morality.

1 Defend What the Bible Teaches About Fornication

1 Corinthians 6:18–20; Hebrews 13:4; Revelation 21:8

- Fornication being sex between two people who are not married, unmarried people.
- Flee sexual immorality. Every sin that a man does is outside the body, but he who commits sexual immorality sins against his own body.
- Did you know that God owns your body? You don't own it. It's on loan. You're a steward, and you're going to have to answer for how you dealt with his body that he gave to you.
- Marriage is honorable among all and the bed undefiled, but fornicators and adulterers, God will judge.
- We need to quit lowering the standards and compromising with the world.

2 Defend Biblical Teaching on Adultery

Hebrews 13:4; Proverbs 6:27; Romans 13:14

- Adultery being such between at least one person who's in a married relationship and somebody who's not in that married relationship.
- There's a third person involved in that. That third person is God.
- Adultery doesn't just happen overnight. It doesn't just up and happen like that. It's a slow, it's a gradual thing.
- Can a man take fire into his bosom and not be burned? Proverbs 6 27 answers no.
- But put on the Lord Jesus Christ. And make no provision for the flesh to fulfill its lust. Don't give the devil an opportunity in these matters.

3 Defend Biblical Morality on Pornography

Job 31:1; Psalm 101:3; Matthew 5:27–30

- If you're practicing pornography, if you're addicted to it, if you're caught up to it, I have one thing to say to you. Stop it now.
- I have made a covenant with my eyes. Why then should I look upon a young woman?
- Much of what passes for mainstream entertainment is indeed pornography.
- But I say to you that whoever looks at a woman to lust for her has already committed adultery with her in his heart.

- We can lose our souls because of what goes on in our minds.

4 Defend Biblical Morality on Homosexuality

Romans 1:18–27; 1 Corinthians 6:9–11; 1 Timothy 1:8–10

- We serve a holy God, and the holy God has spoken on this issue. Whatever God says, that settles it.
- The Lord says that it's shameful. The Lord says that it's vile passions. The Lord says it's against nature. The Lord said it's error.
- We're not going to focus exclusively on this sin to the exclusion of other sins. Sin is sin.
- There's no cherry picking. It's an all or nothing proposition. Either you take it all or you reject it.
- And such were some of you. But you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus.
- Just bring the word of God in a spirit of humility and love.

> THE CHALLENGE
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> **If you're here in this audience, you haven't done that. We beg and plead with you, please obey the gospel before it's everlasting too late.**

MY NOTES