Personal Purity in a Pornographic Culture

-Marc Santom
there are an estimated 260 million pages of pornography online—an
God’s Good Sex

• We were sexual creatures before the fall. After sin had entered in, it had begun to pervert our views of our own sexuality...making it difficult for us to achieve the intimate “oneness” of God’s dimensions, is meant to gloriously reveal...
Therefore, personal purity...

- as much to do with regaining intimacy and oneness with our reator—through

- “he young man who rings the bell at the brothel is unconsciously looking for God.”

- “that there is no supernatural reality, sex becomes the only avenue for spiritual
S refers to the basic drives & yearnings within a person to know & be known—a
orn’s

spiritual condition and promises us that we can have our deep needs for connection and intimacy met on our own terms—apart.

- As Christians, are “often guilty of raising the banner of Christ’s victory before we submit our real brokenness to Him. Thus His victory doesn’t get applied to where we really need it.”
The heart of the problem...

...but rather...
Why are drawn to porn...

• Because they want to know what’s

• Because of their “visual wiring”

• Because they’ve
Nuggets of wisdom & hope in finding sexual integrity & freedom—or in helping someone else find it.
"...the divine love that surrounds all humanity and precedes any and all of our conscious impulses. This grace prompts our first wish to please God, our first glimmer of understanding concerning God's will, and our 'first slight transient conviction' of having sinned against God. God's grace also awakens in us an earnest longing for deliverance from sin and death and moves us toward repentance and faith."
Quest for real transformation

NOT

behavior modification

or

sin management
“... don’t bless good intentions; bless obedience.”
“runing the leaves of a tree that’s dying of a root infection is just as effective as placing a band-aid on someone dying of cancer.”
therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God—this is \textit{this} world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his
“...chemicals called endorphins and enkephalins rush to the excitement center of a man’s brain, filling it to the highest possible level. The result is a “reward” of sorts. Not even a “runner’s high” compares to this feeling!...When a man ejaculates, his brain receives its maximum chemical reward. Critical to a man’s sexual success is understanding that whatever he looks at while having an ejaculation is what he will sexually connect or “glue” to. Whatever his eyes focus on when he sexually releases—a person, image or object—will become etched in his brain as a photographic attachment toward that person, image or object.”

(Douglas Wiess, Sex, Men & God)
here’s
e careful...
God’s intimate love isn’t upon us to make us feel better about ourselves. It’s upon us to change us into the likeness of Christ—even after all, we were created to live for His glory. e’ll
whole life than to get porn-free and live by your own strength and trying to meet your deep needs on your own terms.”
Pornified
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