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He rescued me because He delighted in me. Ps 18:19b

THIS MONTH'S MEDITATION SCRIPTURE: *I am my beloved's, and his desire is for me. "Come, my beloved, let us go into the country, let us spend the night in the villages. Let us rise early and go to the vineyards; let us see whether the vine has budded and its blossoms have opened, and whether the pomegranates have bloomed. There I will give you my love..." Song of Songs 7:10-12*

[If Porn Were a Sex-Ed Teacher](#) by Josh Glaser, Executive Director,
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If you could have chosen your own sex-ed teacher when you were a kid, who would you have picked?

Many kids and young adults today are choosing pornography.

We all look online when we have questions. Whether asking Alexa what tomorrow's weather forecast is, Waze how to get into the city without paying tolls, or Siri how to spell kalbasa kilbasa keilbasa kielbasa, our devices offer us easy access to a wealth of information.

Throughout all of history, most kids have reached a point when they're curious about sex. This is normal and good. But today, too many kids are taking their curiosity online. Not only can they find answers quickly, Google also won't embarrass, interrogate, or lecture them for asking. Instead, it will call up endless articles, pictures, and yes, pornography to show them. What's more, some teens believe porn is a good place to learn about sex because porn stars "obviously" know what they're doing.

Friends, don't let porn serve as one of your kid's sex educators. Not only is porn not qualified to teach about sex, it blatantly distorts sex to be something much worse than what God designed.

Here's what I mean... (Warning: Disturbing Content to Follow)

If porn were a sex-ed teacher, here are 10 (categorically false) lessons you'd overhear in its classroom:

1. "Everybody wants sex all the time."

2. "You don't have to love, like, or even know a person to have sex with them. Risky sex with strangers is fun and fulfilling."
3. "Forget marriage, honor, faithfulness, self-control, emotional connection, and family; these things make sex stale."
4. "Having lots of sexual partners will make you better in bed, and that will make you more desirable."
5. "If someone doesn't please you sexually, leave them and find someone else who does."
6. "You don't have to worry about negative consequences like STI's, broken hearts, wounded bodies, or out-of-wedlock pregnancies."
7. "Violence is sexy."
8. "Guys, the more confident, controlling, aggressive, and violent you are, the more a girl will enjoy sex with you. If a girl doesn't want sex and you force her, she'll eventually enjoy it."
9. "Girls, the more you like to be hit and choked, the more a guy will want you."
10. "Porn stars are healthy, happy, sexually-liberated, 'sex positive' people who make a lot of money and have the best sex in the world."
11. (It's difficult for me even to write some of these because they're so ugly!)

Porn is no respecter of people. Porn is a liar and an abuser. And porn is a horrible sex educator.

In contrast, Christianity teaches that every human person (body and soul) is worthy of honor and dignity, and sex is a good, beautiful, and powerful treasure from God worth stewarding within marriage with great care and attention.

If you or your kids have been hurt by porn, Jesus is not disgusted with you. He comes near to help you, to wash you clean, to open your eyes anew, and to heal your wounds. On the cross, Christ's body—pure and priceless above all treasure—was given naked, beaten, bleeding, and debased. For you, for me. And in His resurrection, Christ's body was raised to new life, holy and pure, eternally alive in order to restore the treasure He created your body to be.

And parents, make sexual discipleship a regular part of your relationships with your kids as they grow. (Regeneration's new resource, *Reframing Desire: Parenting Sexuality*, will help you tremendously. And if you can't afford it, we'll give you full access for free!)

Responses From You

From a friend in Australia: A great newsletter. As always.

From a sister in Christ: Amen brother! Thanks for sharing and reminding us to stand firm all the way to the end for Jesus walk in HIM obey and follow HIM!

From another sister in Christ online: Excellent!

Upcoming Ministry Meetings

Overcomers Group: Thursday, March 4, 2021; Thursday, March 18, 2021

Family & Friends Group: Tuesday, March 9, 2021; Tuesday, March 23, 2021

Upcoming Events

Equipped 2021 conference; Hickory, NC; April 21-23, 2021. Register after March 1, 2021 at flames2fire.com, click Events Tab

Freedom March at Christ Alive Church in Newton, NC; April 23-25, 2021

Ongoing Prayer Requests

- New Participants for Overcomers Group
- New members for our Family & Friends Group (especially wives)
- Ministry Finances
- Open doors to churches, so pastor and staff can be effectively equipped
- Those currently being served by Abba's Delight ministry, both Overcomers and Family & Friends
- One new female and one new male director for Abba's Delight Board
- Continued freedom to operate ministry in Kentucky
- Smooth establishment of new network, Transformation Ministries Alliance

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Now unto Him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to make you stand in the presence of His glory blameless with great joy, to the only God our Savior through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion and authority before all time and now and forever. Amen. Jude 24-25