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    - There are around 42 million pornography websites
    - Pornography use increases the marital infidelity rate by more than 300%.
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    - 68% of church-going men, 42% of church-going women and over 50% of pastors view porn on a regular basis.
    - Only 7% of pastors say their church has a program to help people struggling with pornography.

- O.T. laws regarding all forms of sexual immorality:
  - Incest. Lev. 20:11-12; 14
  - Adultery. *Lev. 20:10*
  - Homosexuality. Lev. 20:13
  - Bestiality. *Lev.* 20:15-16
  - Premarital sex. *Deut.* 22:13-21

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#### THE DEATH PENALTY!



- Some N.T. passages that deal with the issue of sexual immorality:
  - Looking with sexual lust. Matt. 5:27-30
  - Lasciviousness (sensuality). Mark 7:20-23
  - Fornication. 1 Cor. 6:18-20
  - Homosexuality. Rom. 1:24-27
  - Adultery. 1 Cor. 6:9-10

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God will judge! Heb. 13:4

- Why is pornography so dangerous?
  - Because sexual feelings can be very strong.
     1 Cor. 7:9
  - Because we are to maintain sexual purity.
     1 Thess. 4:3-8
  - Because it can ruin the reality of sex.
     2 Sam. 13:1-2, 11-15

- What can we do against such problem?
  - Parents, put every stumbling block possible to prevent your children from accessing it. 1 Sam. 3:13
  - Adults, purpose in your heart not to defile yourself with it.
     Dan. 1:8; Matt. 5:29-30
  - If you are married, find fulfillment <u>ONLY</u> with your spouse.
     Prov. 5:15-19; 1 Cor. 7:3-5
  - If it's already a practice that you struggle with, seek for help of a faithful Christian. *Eccl. 4:9-10; James 5:19-20*

#### **God's Plan To Save Man**

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Believe — *John 8:24; John 1:12* 

Repent — Acts 17:30-31; Luke 13:3

Confess — *Rom. 10:10; Matt. 10:32* 

Be baptized - Mark 16:16; Acts 10:48

\*Puts us into Christ - Gal. 3:27

Saves us - 1 Peter 3:21

Puts us into His body (church)

- 1 Cor. 12:13

Washes our sins away – Acts 22:16

Remain Faithful to the Lord Col. 1:22-23 - Rev. 2:10 - 1 Cor. 15:58

#### God's Plan In Action:

Who?	Condition	Prescription	Result
Jailer Acts 16:30-33	Non-believer	Believe – Repent – Baptised	Saved
Jews Acts 2:37-38	Believed	– Repent – Baptised	Forgiveness of Sins
Saul Acts 22:16	Penitent Believer	– Baptised	Washed away sins
Simon Acts 8:22	Unfaithful Christian	Repent - Pray	Forgiveness

#### What Are My Options? Rom. 6:17-18

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Rom. 6:23

Rom. 2:8-9

2 Thess. 1:7-9

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1 Pet. 1:22

Heb. 5:8-9

Matt. 7:21