

The Big Ten



Lesson 4: Adultery October 4/5, 2014

7th Commandment

Exodus 20:14 You must not commit adultery. *New Living Translation-SE*

How serious is adultery to God?

Adulterers were put to death under the Old Covenant

Leviticus 20:10 “If a man commits adultery with his neighbor’s wife, both the man and the woman who have committed adultery must be put to death. *New Living Translation SE*

1 John 1:9 But if we confess our sins to him, he can be depended on to forgive us and to cleanse us from every wrong. And it is perfectly proper for God to do this for us because Christ died to wash away our sins *The Living Bible*

Isaiah 43:25 I, yes, I alone am he who blots away your sins for my own sake and will never think of them again. *The Living Bible*

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Life is short, have an affair

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66% of people that marry cohabited first

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Adultery when married verses cohabiting

Married 22% of men admit to having an affair
Cohabiting 57% of men admit to having an affair

Married 14% of women admit to having an affair
Cohabiting 54% of women admit to having an affair

Marriage is a covenant witnessed and united by God

What is marriage?

1. A covenant witnessed and united by God

Malachi 2:13 Here is another thing you do. You cover the LORD's altar with tears, weeping and groaning because he pays no attention to your offerings and doesn't accept them with pleasure. **14** You cry out, "Why doesn't the LORD accept my worship?" I'll tell you why! **Because the LORD witnessed the vows you and your wife made when you were young.** But you have **been unfaithful to her**, though she remained your faithful partner, the wife of your marriage vows. *New Living Translation SE*

Malachi 2:15 Didn't the LORD make you one with your wife? In body and spirit you are his. And what does he want? Godly children from your union. So guard your heart; **remain loyal** to the wife of your youth. *New Living Translation SE*

What is adultery?

1. Any type of sex with someone else when married

2. Imagining sex in your mind while married

Matthew 5:27 "You have heard the commandment that says, 'You must not commit adultery.' **28** But I say, anyone who even looks at a woman **with lust** has already committed adultery with her in his heart. *New Living Translation-SE*

3. Emotional love or attachment

Fear of being caught stops many Americans from having an affair

74% of men say they'd have an affair if they knew they wouldn't be caught

68% of women say they'd have an affair if they knew they wouldn't be caught

Proverbs 6: 27 Can a man scoop fire into his lap without his clothes being burned? **28** Can a man walk on hot coals without his feet being scorched? **29** So is he who sleeps with another man's wife; **no one who touches her will go unpunished.** *New*

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Jesus dealing with an adulterer

John 8:4 “Teacher,” they said to Jesus, “this woman was caught in the act of adultery. **5** The law of Moses says to stone her. What do you say?” *New Living Translation-SE*

John 8:6 They were trying to trap him into saying something they could use against him, but Jesus stooped down and wrote in the dust with his finger. **7** They kept demanding an answer, so he stood up again and said, “All right, but **let the one who has never sinned throw the first stone!**” **8** Then he stooped down again and wrote in the dust. *New Living Translation-SE*

John 8:9 When the accusers heard this, they slipped away one by one, beginning with the oldest, until only Jesus was left in the middle of the crowd with the woman. **10** Then Jesus stood up again and said to the woman, “Where are your accusers? Didn’t even one of them condemn you?” *New Living Translation-SE*

John 8:11 “No, Lord,” she said. And Jesus said, “**Neither do I. Go and sin no more.**” *New Living Translation-SE*