

CUTTING OFF LUST

September 16, 2018

Matthew 5:27-30

I. _____ Sex as a _____ from God. – v. Gen. 1:28, 2:24,
SoS 7, 1 Cor. 6:15-18

II. _____ Sex _____ for Your Spouse.
– v. 27-28

III. _____ Lust from Your _____ and Life. – v. 29-30

**DEEP _____ WITH MY SPOUSE REQUIRES
AMPUTATING _____ FROM MY LIFE.**

Stewardship Report:

Last Week: \$7,483.00

This Month: \$9,345.00

Last Month: \$16,846.00

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SMALL GROUP APPLICATION QUESTIONS

Freedom from lust only fully comes when I start to love Jesus more than my sin.

1. REVIEW THE SERMON

Read Genesis 1:28, 2:24 and Song of Solomon 7. What is God's view of sex? How does this contrast with our culture's view of sex?

Read Matthew 5:27-30. What does Jesus teach about sex and lust in this passage and how does that apply to us today? Why does Jesus use such extreme language in verses 29-30 and how should we respond to it?

2. ASSESS YOUR LIFE

How did studying God's Word this week change or impact your understanding of sex and lust in the life of disciples of Christ? What cultural lies about sex and lust have you believed in the past and how has God's Word helped you overcome those lies?



Pastor Micah said that our best weapon to fight against temptation, especially sexual temptation, is to love Jesus more than we love our sin. When in your life have you experienced new freedom from sin (any kind)? What helped you gain and continue to walk in that freedom? What role did the Gospel and loving Jesus play in gaining your freedom?

3. APPLY THE TRUTH

Explicit sexuality and lust is so rampant in our culture, so we all need to be vigilant in fighting against sexual temptation. What are you currently doing to grow in your love for Jesus more than your love for sin? What fences do you currently have in place to help you fight against lustful temptation?

4. COMMIT THIS WEEK

Jesus is serious about giving us freedom from sexual temptation. It is time we pluck out our eye and cut off our hand in the area of lust! What extreme actions will you take (or continue in) this week to guard your heart against the temptation to lust?

