

## WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE CLASS

February 26, 2025

Exodus 20:14

### Introduction:

1. In the beginning, God created the home to provide for the needs of His creation.
  - a) **Genesis 2:18:** *"And the Lord God said, 'It is not good that man should be alone; I will make him a helper comparable to him.'"* Help with what?
  - b) Adultery implies that the home has not been built the way God designed it. If husband and wife have what they need at home, they will not need to look elsewhere.
2. **Exodus 20:14:** *"You shall not commit adultery."*

### I. THE COMMANDMENT APPLIED IN THE OLD TESTAMENT

- A. The Definition of adultery.
  1. Adultery is defined in the Bible as sexual perversion.
    - a) **Leviticus 20:10:** *"The man who commits adultery with another man's wife..."*
    - b) **Leviticus 20:11-20:** Seven times, you read the words *"lies with."*
    - c) What does it mean to lie with someone? (Lev. 18:20)
  2. How does God view sexual perversions?
    - a) **Leviticus 20:10-21:** Verse 12: *"perversion,"* verse 13: *"abomination,"* verse 14: *"wickedness,"* verse 17: *"guilt,"* verse 20: *"sin,"* verse 21: *"unclean."*
    - b) This is God's view applied to everyone. (Lev. 10:22,23)
- B. Adultery as an illustration.
  1. In Jeremiah 5, adultery illustrates how God felt about their idolatry.
    - a) **Jeremiah 5:7,8:** *"Your children have forsaken Me...they committed adultery...everyone neighed after his neighbor's wife."*
    - b) God called their idolatry *"foolish"* (v. 4), *"transgression"* and *"backsliding"* (v. 6)
  2. In Jeremiah 23, adultery illustrates how God felt about false prophets. (Jer. 23:13,14)
- C. **Proverbs 6:32:** *"Whoever commits adultery with a woman lacks understanding; He who does so destroys his own soul."*

### II. THE COMMANDMENT APPLIED IN THE NEW TESTAMENT

- A. The Definition of adultery.
  1. Adultery is defined as sexual immorality.
    - a) **1 Corinthians 6:9:** Adultery is listed among fornication and homosexuality.
    - b) **1 Corinthians 6:18:** *"Flee sexual immorality"*
    - c) **1 Corinthians 7:2:** *"because of sexual immorality, let each man have his own wife, and let each woman have her own husband"*
  2. Adultery is defined as lusting in your heart. (Matt. 5:27,28)
  3. How does God feel about sexual immorality? (1 Cor. 6:9)
- B. How can we create a happy home and prevent adultery?
  1. **Matthew 19:3-6:** See yourself as part of the whole.
  2. **Matthew 19:7,8:** Develop a proper attitude toward your spouse.
  3. **Matthew 19:9-12:** Put God at the center of your life.
- C. **Hebrews 13:4:** *"Marriage is honorable among all, and the bed undefiled; but fornicators and adulterers God will judge."*