

Point Man – Week 3

How a Man Can Lead His Family

From the book by Steve Farrar

Read: Chapter 3 – Real Men Don't, and Chapter 4 – A One-Woman Kind of Man

Luke 9:62 - Jesus replied, "No one who puts his hand to the plow and looks back is fit for service in the kingdom of God."

1 Corinthians 7:4-5 - The wife's body does not belong to her alone but also to her husband. In the same way, the husband's body does not belong to him alone but also to his wife. Do not deprive each other except by mutual consent and for a time, so that you may devote yourselves to prayer. Then come together again so that Satan will not tempt you because of your lack of self-control.

Questions for discussion:

1. Cortez burned his ships so his men couldn't retreat. How does our society view the permanence of marriage? How does God?
2. Job 31:1 talks about making a "covenant with our eyes." In Mt 5:28, Jesus says that looking at a woman lustfully is equivalent to adultery. Why does God place such a premium on men controlling their thought-lives? (Mt 15:19)
3. Is it wrong to be tempted? When is the line crossed between temptation and sin?
4. How big a problem is pornography for Christian men? Is saving ourselves for our wives limited to just the physical act, or our thought-life as well? How does the Golden Rule come into this?
5. Was David forgiven of his adulterous fling with Bathsheba? Did he continue to suffer consequences for it after he was forgiven?

adulterate (verb) make impure, degrade, debase, spoil, taint, contaminate; doctor, tamper with, dilute, water down, weaken; bastardize, corrupt; informal cut, spike, lace, dope. See note at pollute. antonym purify

"Real men protect themselves against adultery....And that's why they don't do it. It just isn't worth it. If you don't believe that, ask someone who has done it. He will show you the broken shards of a shattered life. He will show you the pain and disappointment that comes from making a series of wrong choices."