

## **FREEDOM FROM PORNOGRAPHY**

Annual statistics from one major pornography website (just one website):

2009 – 22.3 billion video views

World population is about 7.4 billion people, so that's like every person in the world viewing 3 videos.

2010 – 33.6 billion video views

2011 – 38.9 billion video views

2012 – 51.7 billion video views

2013 – 63.2 billion video views

2014 – 78.9 billion video views

2015 – 87.8 billion video views

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January 2016 – 107 million visits to all U.S. porn sites

With a total of 259 million internet users.

76% of Christians, ages 18-24, actively seek out pornography.

Only 32% of young Christians actually believe that pornography is morally wrong.

46% of men ages 18-39 view porn weekly.

16% of woman (and growing) ages 18-39 view porn weekly.

One marriage therapist reports that over half of divorces involve a spouse with a pornography obsession.

If that is typical nationwide, 500,000 marriages may be failing annually in the U.S. because of pornography.

Pornography conditions teens to believe that deviant sex is normal.

Pornography conditions boys/men to be sexual abusers and predators.

Pornography conditions girls/women to be sexual objects.

10,000 children are bought and sold or rented in the U.S. each year for sex.

Sex trafficking is a \$32 billion a year industry.

Pornography is a \$100 billion a year industry.

This is a real problem!

Pornography has probably touched the lives of nearly everyone, because it doesn't just impact the person who does it, it also impacts those around them.

Like any sin, pornography leads to death.

Maybe not physical death, but it will kill you spiritually and can kill you emotionally.

It seeks to destroy your relationships.

Open Bible's Message magazine is a good resource for this and other issues and is available at this link <https://www.openbible.org/Resources/Message>

Jesus has the power to redeem you from whatever sin you may be in and that power is available to you today.

Sexual addictions do not begin with the extreme aspects like sex trafficking.

Sexual addictions are like dynamite.

Like dynamite, there are three ingredients needed to produce it.

The individual ingredients are harmless.

But when they are combined together in the right ratio, they become volatile and explosive.

The ingredients are:

1. Isolation from the Lord and others.
2. Temptation.
3. Access.

Sex is a good thing within the context of a man and woman in a marital relationship.

Believers are vulnerable to temptation when they are not walking in the Spirit.

David spent a lot of time with the Lord, but when he became king, his responsibilities took a lot of his time and he became more isolated from the Lord.

Then temptation came and David, being the king, had access to the woman.

Isolation, temptation and access all came together for king David.

Sin leads to addiction and addiction will consume your life.

There are blinders on our country today.

Blinders concerning abortion, blinders concerning gender identity, blinders concerning sexual addiction.

What is the way out of addiction?

1. Consider the consequences.
2. Get rid of it, cut it off.
3. Confess it to others (accountability).

Consequences include; guilt, shame, perversion, thought life polluted by disgusting thoughts and images which convince the person he or she is a worthless pervert, self degradation and separation from God.

Pornography imprints images on our soul.

It is better to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to be thrown into hell.

Sin likes to hide in the dark.

David's sin was exposed by the Lord through Nathan

David was confronted and he was convicted in his heart.

David began a process of brokenness and repentance.

The road to recovery is not a quick fix.

## SCRIPTURE LIST

Psalm 121:1-3

Galatians 5:16

James 1:14

2 Samuel 11

1 Corinthians 6:13

1 Corinthians 6:18-20

Matthew 6:22-23

1 Thessalonians 4:3-8

Matthew 5:27-29

2 Samuel 12:7

Psalm 51