

3. Followers of Christ must not be ashamed of our Savior or His truth.

Questions to Consider

1. What are some of the outcomes when secular experts tell the culture that sexual satisfaction is central to man's happiness? What are some of the temptations that are posed to you by such thinking?
2. One dictionary defines *shame* as "a painful feeling of humiliation or distress caused by the consciousness of wrong or foolish behavior." How would you describe the biblical role of shame for unbelievers and for believers? How does God use shame to work in the hearts of people?
3. How does sin fit into our explanation of the gospel of Jesus Christ? What's the potential danger if Christians focus on reforming the morality of our culture without being most clear about the sin of failing to believe in Jesus Christ?
4. What are some of the explicit statements about sexual sin in Ephesians 5? Which one has the greatest impact on your heart as you think about temptation? Take some time to write it out and work on memorizing it this week.
5. What are some of the descriptions in Ephesians 5 that imply ways in which the culture tries to draw God's people into sexual sin? In what subtle way(s) are you tempted to connect with the world in terms of attitudes or actions related to sex?
6. Read Ephesians 5:1-2. What is a primary motivation that should compel us to not be ashamed of Jesus or His truth?