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Week-by-Week Summary:

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Primary Scriptures: Genesis 1:26-28 & Romans 5:8-11

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- Lie #2, "Your sexuality is your identity"
  - Truth: God's image is the center of our human identity

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Primary Scriptures: Genesis 1:27 & 2:18-25

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### **Week 3, Nov. 26 - "God's Great Purpose for Marriage"**

Primary Scriptures: Ephesians 5:22-33

- Because marriage is given to us as a parable/illustration of our future union with Christ, God's great purpose in marriage is to show us what the gospel is like.
- Application: through marriage, God is working to grow His people in holiness.

### **Week 4, Dec. 3 - "God's Great Purpose for Singleness"**

Primary Scriptures: 1 Corinthians 7:1-9 & 7:25-35

- "If marriage shows us the shape of the gospel, singleness shows us its sufficiency" - Author Sam Allberry
- The Church should be the best place in the world for both singles and marrieds to flourish; we all have a need for intimacy that is not sexual.
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### **Week 5, Dec. 10 - "How Does Jesus Respond to Sexual Sin?"**

Primary Scriptures: John 1:14-18

- Jesus engages our sinfulness with GRACE and TRUTH.
- How? What did this look like in Jesus' life and ministry?
- Jesus' incarnation is greater than the manger (Hebrews 4:14-15, Luke 7:34)
- Jesus takes the truth of sin seriously (Romans 3:23; Romans 6:23; Matthew 5:27-30)
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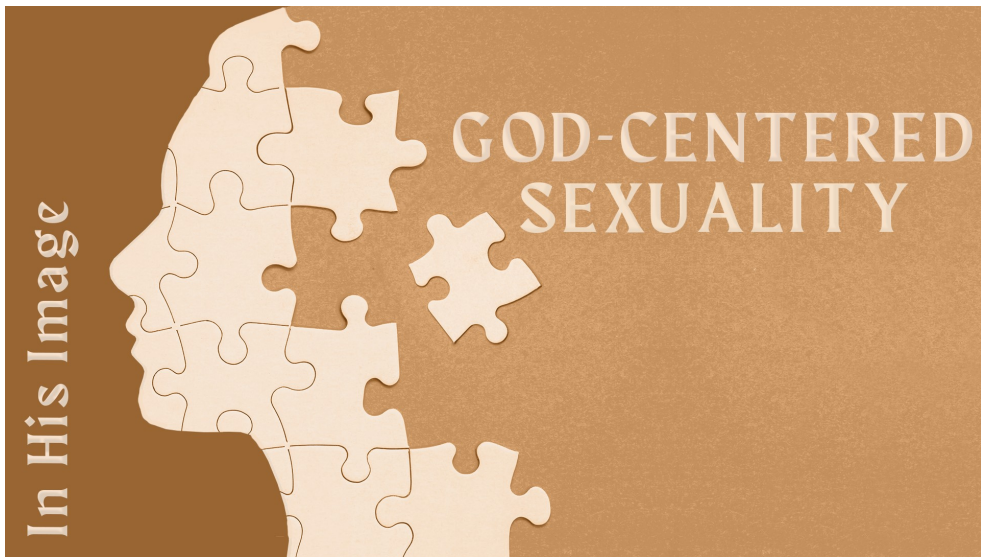
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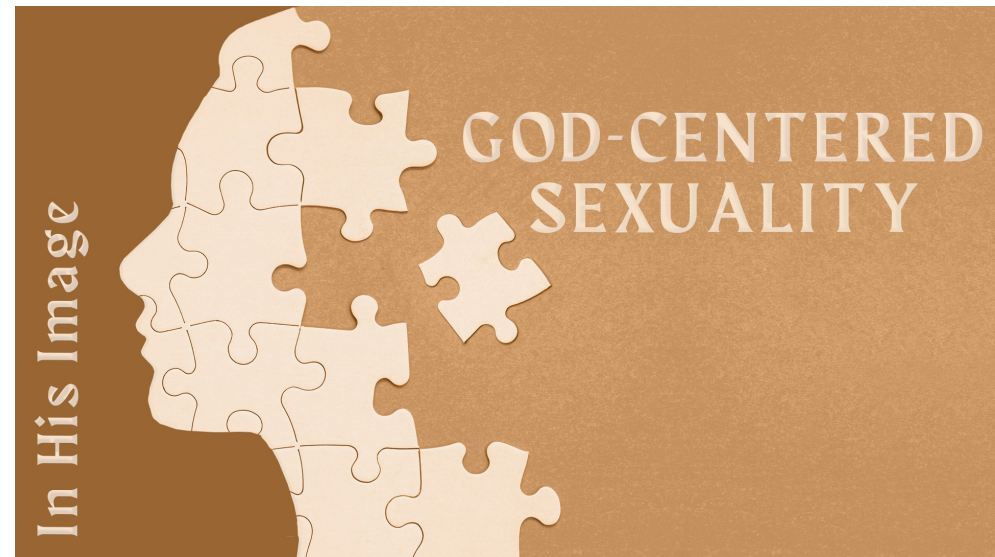
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