Topic	Divine Design (Creation)	(basis in Gen 1-2)	Distortion (Fall)	(major texts)
Sexuality as Creation Order	Major part of God's good creation (but not part of divinity)	1:26-28	Cultic Sexuality	[too many in OT!]; Acts 19:21-41
Heterosexual Duality & Marriage	Male/female distinction fundamental to "human"	1:27-28; 2:22-24; 5:2	Homosexuality (& Transvestism & Bestiality)	Gen 19:1-11; Exod 22:19; Lev 18:22-23; 20:13, 15-16; Deut 22:5; 23:17-18; 27:21; Judg 19; Ezek 16; 18; Matt 5:32; 15:19; 19:9; Mark 7:21; Acts 15:29; Rom 1:24-27; 1 Cor 6:9-11; 1 Tim 1:10
Monogamous Marriage	One man; one woman	2:18-24	Polygamy (& Concubinage)	[33 cases in OT, including Lamech, Abram, Jacob, Esau, Elkanah, David, Solomon]; Exod 21:7-11; Lev 18:18; Deut 17:17; 21:15-17; 1 Cor 7:1-4; 1 Tim 3:2, 12; Tit 1:6
Equality of the Sexes (Elevation of Women)	No ontological superiority/ inferiority	1:26-28; 2:7, 16-23	Denigration of Women	Gen 12:10-20; 16; 20; 26:6-11; Exod 20:17 (=Deut 5:21); Lev 12:1-8; 27:1-8; Num 5; 30:3-16; Deut 25:11-12; Judg 11:34-40; 21; 2 Sam 16:20-22; etc.; 1 Cor 11:3; 14:34-36; Eph 5:21-24; Col 3:18; 1 Tim 2:8-15; Tit 2:5; 1 Pet 3:1, 5
Sexuality & Wholeness	Male & female *imago Dei* (individually, complementarily, & communally); physical & non-physical aspects in "likeness" to God & in oneness together; psychophysical unity ("soul")	1:26-27; 2:7, 24	Fragmentation (Prostitution, Mixed Marriages, Masturbation, Sexual Blemishes, Impurities)	Gen 6:1-4; 34:31; 38:15-23; Exod 34:11-16; Lev 12:1-5; 15; 19:29; 20:18; 21:7, 9; Deut 7:1-4; 23:1, 9-13, 18; Josh 2; 6; Judg 14-16; 1 Kgs 3; Hos 1-3; Jer 2-3; Ezek 16; 23; Mal 2:10-12; Ezra 9-10; Neh 13; 1 Cor 7:12-16; 13:16; 2 Cor 6:14-16; 1 Pet 3:1-2
Sexuality & Exclusivity	*"leave"* = freedom from interference (outward & inward)	2:24	Adultery & Premarital Sex	Gen 12:10-20; 26:1-11; 35:22; Exod 20:14, 17 (=Deut 5:18, 21); Lev 18:20; 19:20-22; 20:10; Num 5:11-31; Deut 22:13-29; Hos 1-3; Ps 51; Prov 2:17; 5:15-18; 7:13-14; [many NT passages]

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Theology of Sexuality Outline

Topic	Divine Design (Creation)	(basis in Gen 1-2)	Distortion (Fall)	(major texts)
Sexuality & Permanence	"*cling*" = covenantal & attitudinal	2:24	Divorce/Remarriage	Deut 24:1-4; also Gen 21:9-14; 25:1; Exod 21:26-27; 22:16-17; Lev 21:7, 14 (cf. Ezek 44:22); 22:12-13; Num 30:9; Deut 21:10-14; 22:13-19, 28-29; 25:5-9; Judg 14:20-15:2; 1 Sam 25:44; Isa 50:1; Jer 3:1, 6-8; Hos 2:2; Mal 2:13-16; Ezra 9-10; Neh 9:2; 13:3, 30; Matt 5:31-32; 19:3, 8-9; Mark 10:11-12; Luke 16:18
Sexuality & Intimacy	Unity is emotional, physical, & spiritual; sexual intercourse as sign of marriage covenant	2:24-25	Incest	Gen 19:30-38; 35:22; 38; 49:4; Lev 18:6-17; 20:11-21; Deut 22:30; 27:20-23; 2 Sam 13; 15-16; Amos 2:7; 1 Cor 5:1-13; 6:11
Sexuality & Procreation	Special (though limited) divine blessing/command to emulate & continue God's creative work	1:28	Problems/Distortions (Childlessness, Children Born out of Wedlock, Abortion)	Gen 16:1-2; 20:17-18; 30:2; 38; Exod 21:22-25; 23:26; Lev 26:2; Deut 7:14; 28:1-4, 15-18; 23:2; 25:5-10; 32:25; Judg 13; 1 Sam 1-2; 2 Kgs 4; Ruth; Job 10:8-12; 31:15; Pss 51; 139; Jer 1:5
Wholesome Beauty of Sexuality	Part of God's perfect design; uninhibited, sensuous, vulnerable; holy like Sabbath & sanctuary	1:31; 2:22, 25	Rape & Parody of Beauty	Gen 19; 34; Exod 22:16-17 (Deut 22:28-29); Lev 21:7, 14; Deut 22:25-27; Judg 19(-21); 2 Sam 11; 13; Prov 7; 1 Cor 6:16; Heb 13:4; Rev 17; 19

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