

Pornography

1. Pornography (from the Gr. *porneia* = sexual immorality; and *graphe* = to write) is the photographing of naked people. Money from pornography world-wide is in the billions (photos, magazines, movies, adult TV channels, internet, adult comics, art, etc.). Pornography may be legal (“freedom of the press”), but it is not lawful by God’s word. Pornography is not a “victimless crime”. Pornography is mind pollution!
2. Pornography is nakedness and/or sexual immorality; the act of being naked and the sex act are limited to a God-given marriage (Gen. 2:24-25); these acts are not for just anyone to experience (Heb. 13:4).
3. Pornography is nakedness and goes against the instruction to modest dress (1 Tim. 2:11).
4. Pornography promotes self-gratification and the lust of the eye (Mt. 5:28; Mk. 7:21-23; 2 Pet. 2:14; 1 Jn. 2:15-17).
5. Pornography is addictive; one who looks is not in control (1 Cor. 6:12; 1 Tim. 2:9).
6. Pornography is a lascivious and a “such like” work of the flesh (Gal. 5:19-21; Eph. 4:19; Col. 3:5; Tit. 2:12; Jude 19).
7. Pornography, being lewd and lustful, goes against the good character that a Christian is to have and think about; it distorts one’s proper emotional state (Gal. 5:22-23; Phil. 4:8).
8. Pornography teaches the worst kind of sex acts and often leads one to commit fornication = incest, rape, adultery, homosexuality, pedophilia, bestiality, sado-masochism (1 Cor. 6:18; 2 Tim. 2:22).
9. Pornography dehumanizes the sex act and turns men and women into mere sex objects; it changes reality (Bible truth) into fantasy (Gen. 1:26-27; 1 Cor. 6:18-20).
10. Pornography affects the community and has other sins associated with it such as organized crime, prostitution, sex-offenders, etc (Rom. 1:28-32).
11. A Christian needs to avoid it (1 Pet. 2:11), support those who are against it (Psa. 94:16; Rom. 12:9), and repent of it if he/she is viewing it (Rev. 2:21).