### A PRECIOUS GIFT NOT TO BE WASTED

You, your life and sexuality are great gifts meant for nothing less than that incomparable kind of love we were talking about. Sure, you could go for something different if you let hormones and emotions run your life. Look all around you, there are plenty of people being used for and using sex, but not finding any kind of lasting love. A cheap thrill, fiery passion, an ego trip, but not much else.

You see, it doesn't take a rocket scientist to figure out what sex is meant for. Yes, to show a very special kind of love, and to create new life. You just can't take them apart without damaging something, namely ourselves. It is so special, so powerful, you can only protect and find it with just one other person. All sex outside marriage cheapens love.

## Ask yourself a few questions

Which statement would you prefer your future spouse to say to you?

- a) I've slept with many, you're the one.
- b) I could have, but I waited for you.

Mom and Dad. That's what all kids want. Don't your children deserve the same?

Do you want to spread yourself around piece by piece, or is it better to share your whole self, completely in trust, with just one person?

Since virginity only comes once, who do I want to give it to? If I'm not a virgin, can I repair my heart for a new start?

Do I want to be in the driver's seat, or be driven by bodily impulses instead?

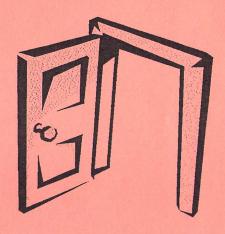
How do I want my sexual behavior to affect the lives of others?

Since God designed it, do I know better?

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Now that I got your attention, follow me...



far away from the t.v.'s, movies, and music that sell sex, but don't really understand it. Somewhere away from the talk, the hungry egos and confused feelings that pull us apart. To a place where love and sex and relationships all come together. Somewhere,

deep in your own heart.

(Wait until you see the pictures!)

# ok, so there are no pictures...

but there is something far more important - the truth, which is the only path that will lead to your happiness.

We might as well face it, whatever's been happening with sex in our life-time has caused us a lot of misery. Contraception, or "safer sex" is everywhere, but so are sexually transmitted diseases, crisis pregnancies, abortions, pain, divorces and a lot of unhappy adults and their children. Misusing sex has its consequences all right.

So what are we supposed to do about it? Stop having sex? Now that's nuts! Sex is a big part of life, and a big part of love, in case you didn't know it.

## EXACTLY!

### SEX, LIFE AND LOVE ARE THREE THINGS THAT SHOULD GO TOGETHER.

Did you ever ask yourself, if there is only one thing I could have in life, just one, what would it be? Believe it or not, most people don't say money, good looks, or sex. Instead, they they want to be loved - without any conditions - just for who they are. To be loved so much, that it can never be taken back. Irretrievably and irreplaceably loved, regardless of their looks, health or even if they mess up - especially if they mess up! Everything else takes a very distant second place to being loved.

So what's this got to do with sex, you ask? ...A lot. After all, it's not called "making love" for nothing. And love is what we're talking about. We just got to figure out where sex fits into love, 'cause obviously it doesn't belong in every relationship. In fact, it only belongs in one.



Chances are, you're wearing a watch. Take a look at it. Numbers, hands and all the stuff that makes it go. It was made for a reason and purpose by somebody pretty smart. Of course, if I used it for a hammer instead, it would probably get broken.

Well what about us? When God created us, did He have a reason and purpose for His children? I mean, did he just give us a nose for kicks? And should I block punches with it, what happens? ...It hurts.

Then there's those three little letters. S-E-X. Why did God give us this erotic, powerful and life-giving way to relate men and women with each other? And how do we use our sexuality to fulfill and help us, not empty and destroy ourselves?

It used to be called, "the marital act"