

INSIDE REVOLUTION 2

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The Presence of the Future, part 5

BIG IDEA: When we let Jesus address what is inside us & are honest with his assessment, we find grace and power to change, & have his impact on the world around us.

²⁷ “You have heard that it was said, ‘*You shall not commit adultery.*’” ²⁸ But I tell you that anyone who looks at a woman lustfully has already committed adultery with her in his heart. ²⁹ If your right eye causes you to stumble, gouge it out and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. ³⁰ And if your right hand causes you to stumble, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to go into hell.

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¹ **Addressing guys & lust.**

² **A look to establish a connection...**

³ **Underneath this is adulterous**

⁴ **Deal ruthlessly with lust.** “*Flee sexual immorality.*” ¹ Cor. 6:18

“Bring all your sexuality to me.”

³¹ “It has been said, ‘*Anyone who divorces his wife must give her a certificate of divorce.*’” ³² But I tell you that anyone who divorces his wife, except for sexual immorality, makes her the victim of adultery, and anyone who marries a divorced woman commits adultery.

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¹ **2 Schools on Divorce: Dt. 24. *Shammai*, strict; *Hillel*, liberal.**

² **Divorce puts a woman in a helpless position.**

³ **Jesus is firmly against divorce & upholds marriage**

⁴ **Infidelity is the only reason he gives to divorce.**

pornea—selling/sexual purity; *breach of the one-flesh union*.

⁵ **Divorce and adultery.**

(Mt. 19:3-9; Mk. 10:2-12, Lk. 16:18; 1 Cor. 7:10-16).

“Invite me into your marriage.”

³³ “Again, you have heard it said to people long ago, ‘*Do not break your oath, but fulfill to the Lord the vows you have made.*’ But I tell you, do not swear an oath at all: either by heaven, for it is God’s throne; or by the earth, for it is his footstool; or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the Great King. And do not swear by your head, for you cannot make even one hair white or black. All you need to say is simply ‘Yes’ or ‘No’; anything beyond this comes from the evil one. **Matthew 5:27-37**

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Jesus bans oath-making, replacing it with Kingdom Honesty.

Open and honest to God and with ourselves.

IN PRACTICE:

¹ If you are caught in lust/porn/addiction, walk into the light with some trusted friends, who you can be completely honest with, confess your sin, ask for help and get free.

² If you are in or on the edge of an affair, STOP. Bail out.

³ Surrender all of your sexuality to God.

⁴ With your spouse, bring your marriage to God.

⁵ If you are stagnant, not growing, or at odds, get help—now.

⁶ If you are divorced for unbiblical reasons and remarried, own that you were wrong. Ask for forgiveness. Receive it.

⁷ If you have been dishonest, it is time to be honest.

⁸ Are you open and gut-honest with those close to you? If not, why?