DOING LIFE TOGETHER

10. What lies about sex are you confronted with most often? What would it look like for us to look past these lies and instead look to God for wisdom with regard to both how we understand sex and how we respond to sexual temptation?

11. What are some practical ways that we as a growth group might encourage and support each our other in our individual fights against sin? What role does personal accountability play when it comes to sexual purity?

12. What are some practical ways we can guard ourselves against sexual immorality? What are some practical ways we can guard our families against sexual immorality?

Prayer Requests

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April 19, 2015 Sermon Notes
The Best Question Ever in a Sexualized World Matt. 5:27-30

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What do I need to do with what I have heard today?

GROWTH GROUP HOMEWORK

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THINKING THINGS THROUGH

- 1. Think about some of the most popular TV shows over the past few decades (Grey's Anatomy, Friends, Seinfeld, Cheers, etc.). What attitude do the characters in these shows tend to have about sex?
- 2. What were most people's attitudes like about sex when you were in high school? How does that compare with most people's attitudes about sex today? How do these attitudes compare with how God would have us view sex?

DIGGING DEEPER

READ MATTHEW 5:27-30.

- 3. How do you define lust? How have people's opinions of lust changed throughout the years, both individually and as a society?
- 4. How did Jesus interpret the commandment not to commit adultery? How did Jesus' wisdom differ from the teaching of the Pharisees? How did Jesus' reinterpretation raise expectations for Hisfollowers?

- 5. What do these verses teach us is the root of sexual sin? Why did Jesus say, "has already committed adultery with her in his heart" and not "commits adultery with her"? What does this teaching reveal about the human heart?
- 6. What was Jesus getting at by challenging His followers to gouge out their eyes and cut off their hands in the fight against lust? What are ways you ought to be vigilant in, in order to avoid sin, as you go about your daily life?

7. What would it look like for you to incorporate Christ's wisdom with regard to how you respond to sexual temptation?

READ GALTIANS 5:16-24.

- 8. What would it look like for you to begin walking by the Spirit with regard to sex?
- 9. What decisions do you need to make with the Holy Spirit's guidance in order to guard your heart from sexual immorality? What are some practical ways you could cultivate patience and self control in your heart?