We made our warm bed out of blankets in the meadow way up high. You took off your dress in the moonlight to sleep beneath the sky.

Your touch was a warm summer ocean.

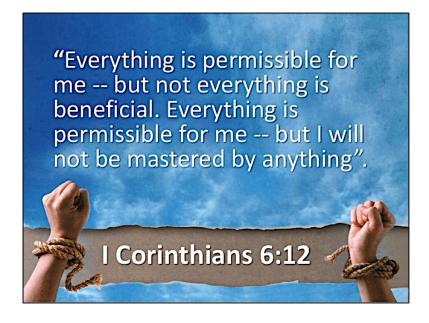
Your kiss made the whole mountain fly.

And you looked deep within me and smiled at the tears in my eyes.

Now you can say that you always were honest, That your words were clear from the start, But its more than just words that got spoken.

There was language of the heart.

- from "Language of the Heart" by David Wilcox



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Contemporary at Covenant *Welcome to Worship*

As a wealthy hub for commerce and seafarers, Greek Corinth was evidently renowned for its vice, especially its sexual corruption, and for its many religious temples and rites. Aristophanes even coined the term "korinthiazesthai" ("to act like a Corinthian," i.e., "to commit fornication") in view of the city's reputation. Plato used the term "Corinthian girl" as a euphemism for a prostitute.

– G. F. Hawthorne et al, Dictionary of Paul and His Letters (p. 172)

Prelude

Welcome & Church Family News

Songs of Praise Justin Luevano & the CPC Praise Band



"One Thing Remains"

"King of My Heart"

"Hallelujah for the Cross"

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Children's Prayer Time Kathy Ludwig

Prayer of Confession & Word of Assurance

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 6:12-20 (p.955)

Message: "Language of the Heart" Pastor Jay Hull

[No offering plates will be passed during the service; however, we still regard our giving as an act of worship and provide boxes at our doors for you to use in response to God's direction to you.]

*Unison Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty,

Aunignty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our
Lord; who was conceived by the
Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin
Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried; he
descended into hell;



the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

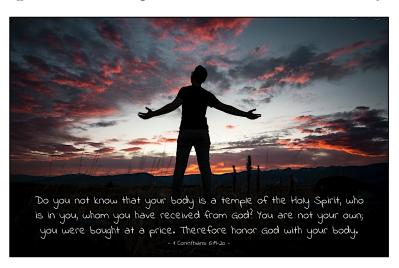
Celebration of Holy Communion

Song of Response:

"How He Loves"

Final Word of Blessing

[please exit through the side doors of the sanctuary]





LANGUAGE OF THE HEART

CHURCH MATTERS - YOU MATTER #9
1 CORINTHIANS 6:12-20

AS WE FLEE FORNICATION WE ARE NOT ONLY SAYING "NO" TO SEXUAL IMMORALITY BUT "YES" TO OUR GOD & "YES" TO OURSELVES. THUS, WE ARE LEARNING & SHARING THE LANGUAGE OF THE HEART GIVEN US BY GOD & SO PRECIOUS THOUGH PRECARIOUS IN THE EARS OF A CULTURE ONLY FLUENT IN THE SELF-CENTERED LANGUAGE OF SEX.

The Language of Self-Centered Sex—6 Bad Lies About Sexual Immorality (& Responses from the Heart of God) found in 1 Corinthians 6...

Fornication (Sexual Intimacy Outside of Marriage) is Fine because...

1. "Immoral" is a concept now stripped of meaning.

(6:12)

Response: ¹² "All things are lawful for me," but not all things are helpful. "All things are lawful for me," but I will not be dominated by anything.

2. "Sex" is only natural & quite ordinary.

(6:13)

Response: ¹³ "Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food"— and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is not meant for sexual immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body.

3. My body belongs to me.

(6:19-20)

Response: ...You are not your own, ²⁰ for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body.

4. My body & I are temporary realities.

(6:14)

Response: ¹⁴ And God raised the Lord and will also raise us up by his power.

5. Sexual activity has no significance beyond the moment.

(6:15-17)

Response: ¹⁵ Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I then take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! ¹⁶ Or do you not know that he who is joined to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For, as it is written, "The two will become one flesh." ¹⁷ But he who is joined to the Lord becomes one spirit with him.

6. There is nothing particularly special about me & my body.

(6:18-19)

Response: ¹⁸ Flee from sexual immorality. Every other sin a person commits is outside the body, but the sexually immoral person sins against his own body. ¹⁹ Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have. from God? You are not your own, ²⁰ for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body.