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Pornography ~ The “Victimless Crime”

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There’s a section in the Bible which essentially says that if a nation obeys God, He will bless that nation; but if a nation ignores and disobeys God, He will withdraw His blessings and that nation will suffer (see Leviticus 26:1-46).

The United States of America was once broadly known as a Christian nation. Today we are not. In the last 50 years we have put faith on the back burner and have cut ourselves adrift from the Source of wisdom and cultural stability (God). Just as scripture promises, when a nation turns away from serving God, things go badly. Symptoms begin to emerge, like brush strokes in an impressionist painting by Monet, van Gogh, or Renoir:

- A consistent 50% divorce rate
- 40% of our children now born out of wedlock
- 26% of our nation’s girls 13-19 carry at least one STD
- 25% of our nation’s adults have genital Herpes
- Suicide now the third leading killer of our nation’s adolescents
- 85% of youths in prisons come from homes with no dads

Those are vignettes of what happens when a culture cuts itself off from a relationship with its Creator.

Another very telling brush stroke has been the acceptance of pornography as “normal.” In the late 1950s when Hugh Hefner launched *Playboy*, most people called it a “dirty magazine.” Back then *Playboy* pictures were of women wearing provocative underwear, but no sexual body parts were actually shown. Today, *Playboy*’s nudity is tame in comparison to what’s available for free on the Internet ~ e.g., actual filming of intercourse, oral sex, homosexual sex, bestiality, masturbation, child rape, sexual torture.

It is becoming all but commonplace to hear of leaders losing their jobs and/or being arrested in regard to their use of porn. Here are three examples taken off the Internet on the day this chapter was written. The date is incidental ~ it could be *any* day, and there are hundreds more similar examples *any* of which could have happened in *any* town or city in the USA:

- April 23, 2010 the news broke of top SEC officials spending eight hours a day looking at porn while the nation teetered on the brink of economic disaster.¹
- May 1, 2010, the mayor of the small southwest Missouri town of Dadeville is charged with possessing child pornography.²

- May 7, 2010, an army lieutenant-colonel was arrested for possessing child porn.³

Perhaps *most* symptomatic of the deterioration in our culture is that nobody's marching in the streets, protesting. We've passively accepted what was formerly called "debauchery" as merely being "something men and women do" ~ sort of like drinking milk but with a shot of whiskey.

This phenomenon has an age-specific dynamic to it. People born before 1960 are generally deeply concerned about the moral drift exhibited by cultural acceptance of pornography. People born after 1980 generally accept porn as a normal (if not very savory) component of a pluralistic society. In the 1960s, if a person wished to see a naked breast in a movie, they had to go to one of those sleazy theaters found in the cruddy parts of big cities, playing the raunchiest trash in town ~ and hope nobody saw them enter or leave the theater. Today unless we *try to avoid* it, we commonly see far more sexual stuff on the TV in the privacy of our kitchen or bedroom.

We've been lured into a belief system that calls pornography, a "victimless crime." Person after person who is caught and punished due to porn, expresses the thought, "I wasn't hurting anyone." The remainder of this chapter will explore this "victimless crime" and its impact upon families and culture. To say porn is victimless is like comparing hydrogen bombs with party-pops. Here's a look at the impact upon family members.

In children:

Pornography sexually awakens children before their brains are prepared for the adult rigors and challenges of sexuality. When my grandson, Jake was seven years old he brought a book home from the library, dealing with world records: fastest train; tallest man; most miles hopped on a pogo stick. One of the records was the woman with the largest chest. This female had undergone surgeries that stuffed her bosom with sand bags (OK, not really) to the point that her bust measurement was the equivalent of the distance from New York to Miami. Jake didn't spend much time looking at this freak, but his comment was, "Why is that woman sticking her 'breast-es' out like that?"

He was unaware of the lust that filled the hearts of some men as they looked at the same picture. He was just a kid. So we moved on to the next page and then later mentioned that some women do that sort of thing to themselves in order to make men desire them. Thankfully, that was the end of the conversation.

Many a child has found his dad's stash of porn and then spent hours furtively looking at naked women, or worse. When this happens, the child's sexuality is prematurely awakened, long before the pre-frontal cortex has matured sufficiently to provide wisdom and stability. This creates children who become inappropriately sexual early in life ~ children who become addicted to pornography ~ children who grow up unable to enjoy normal heterosexual activity with a spouse because their brains have been so jaded as to make normalcy impossible ~ children unable to have normal healthy adult relationships.

Porn distorts children's understanding of sex. It normalizes sexual activity that few experience outside of porn filming studios. It turns God's beautiful gift of sex into a performance ethic that

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bears virtually no resemblance to gentle, normal marital love-making. It separates bonding, commitment and love from sex.

It destroys children's ability to build emotionally intimate relationships as it creates "faux attachments." Genuine relationships are built upon trust, sharing, commitment, deep knowledge of one another, common values, hopes and goals, etc. Faux attachments are built upon showing one's body for the single purpose of lust, reaching an orgasm, and then moving on. In this manner pornography destroys children's ability to build deep and lasting relationships.

Finally, pornography defines children in sexual roles not appropriate in childhood. The little girl is no longer just a little girl ~ she's now a toy (think of JonBenet Ramsey) ~ to some demeaned person she's a whore ~ she's a victim ~ she's a thing. The little boy is no longer just a kid ~ he's now a predator ~ he's a victim ~ he's a deviant.

Kids exposed to porn are harmed by it. Porn is not a "victimless crime" among children.

In girls:

Pornography changes girls' self-identities. In a normal, healthy world girls and young women generally just want to be thought of as cute or pretty ~ but not as sexual. Porn changes their identities, from being pure and chaste to being sexual and quasi-sophisticated.

Porn changes girls' roles in boy/girl relationships, leading them toward sexualized power and aggression. So it is today that young girls have become the aggressors. It used to be that boys pursued girls ~ boys called girls on the telephone ~ boys tried to get what they could, sexually, on dates. Today, girls have become the sexual aggressors. They have learned how to use their emerging sexuality as a weapon and a tool in their relationships with boys. Porn has played a large role in this shift.

Porn leads girls to question their father's integrity, and touch. When a girl finds her dad's stash, or when a girl stumbles across her dad's porn sites on the Internet, a normal question in her mind has to do with whether this is how her father looks at her. In one situation, a girl found her dad's stash and thereafter was creeped out every time her dad put his arm around her shoulder. Questions flew around in her head: What was daddy thinking about as he touched her? Was daddy getting ready to touch her, sexually? Did daddy think about her in the same way he thought about the girls in those magazines under the bed?

Pornography leads girls to disrespect their own gender. As females are turned into objects for camera lenses and men's lust, it reduces their value as human beings. Through pornography, girls learn to see women as sexual objects for men's pleasure rather than as human beings created in God's image as equal partners with males, within marriage.

So this "victimless crime" harms girls.

In boys:

Pornography teaches boys that females have one purpose: to sexually satisfy male desires. Since porn deals with sex in any form that a producer or photographer can dream up, sex becomes a bizarre activity rather than a normal gentle expression of love.

Pornography sexualizes what would otherwise be normal, heterosexual friendships. Boys who have been exposed to porn, no longer look at girls as friends who have blue or brown eyes. Now girls are now identified by the size of their breasts, the shape of their buttocks and legs, and whether they “put out” on dates.

Pornography leads to ever more corrupt sexual attitudes and practices. It’s like a bottomless whirlpool, leading from pictures to voyeurism, to forcing sex on dates, and even date rape. In England recently, girls have begun taking third parties along on dates in order to avoid being molested or raped, because English boys are so consumed by pornography that they are taking what they see on the Internet, into their dating lives. Becoming sexually active outside of God’s plan leads to ever darker and more harmful expressions of sexuality.

Another feature of pornography is that it rapidly leads toward addiction. In some cases it has been found that just a couple of hours’ exposure to pornography creates a neuro-chemical addiction that is more difficult to break than addiction to cocaine or heroin. While this is true in both males and females, young boys appear to be particularly susceptible to it.

So this “victimless crime” harms boys.

In mothers:

Pornography demeans and devalues women in general, which means that mothers are no longer valued as such – they are valued only as kinky sex partners who are willing to try to keep up with the latest and greatest porn pictures or DVDs depicting someone doing it on the ceiling.

Porn reduces the respect given to mothers, especially by their sons. Respect isn’t only about opening the car door for a lady. It’s about attitude. It’s about gentle relational pursuit. It’s about relational integrity. It’s about how one speaks to a female, whether as to a lady or as to a cheap lay. And so much of respect is linked to attitude and perception, that it’s all but impossible to be using porn and at the same time treat mom as a lady.

Pornography turns women into objects rather than people. So as mom has babies and begins to lose her figure, she is demoted from a position of sexual desire to a position of indentured servitude, while the ever-youthful and alluring images in magazines or on the Internet sing their siren’s song. Because of porn, motherhood is no longer the poetic grist of song and adulation (see Proverbs 31:10-31). Rather, motherhood becomes the featureless old thing who wears the apron and folds the laundry.

One of the greatest problems of pornography is that it reduces mothers’ ability to parent their kids, especially their sons. As boys see mother through the eyes of porn, they lose respect for mother’s wisdom and authority. “Mother” is no longer a word of respect. Rather, it’s a term meaning “sexually useless and from a different planet.”

So this “victimless crime” does much to victimize mothers.

In fathers:

The fact of transference. Porn has long been known to grab men by the throat and lock them into mental bondage. Pornography basically changes men’s view of women ~ all women, including wives and daughters. A man cannot watch porn and then avoid having those images affect his relationship with his daughters.

The illusion of compartmentalization. Men are quick to assume that they can compartmentalize their minds in a manner that, although they occasionally look at porn, their total experience with porn is limited to one very small slice in the overall pie of their lives. There is a problem with that way of thinking, because all sin (and looking at porn is sinful) is like throwing a big rock into the middle of a pond. The ripples go outward in all directions, and the shoreline of the entire pond is affected by the waves.

Pornography poisons a man’s integrity. Men generally hide or disguise their use of porn so that their wives don’t know about it ~ which then is a form of dishonesty. Some men try to convince their wives that they only buy magazines like *Playboy* in order to read the articles, (duh!), which is also dishonest. The majority of men who look at porn, lie to their wives about it. They lie to their daughters too, when they try to tell them that they don’t look at women as “things.” Many look at porn while at the office (70% of porn use occurs during office hours), thereby stealing time from their employer. A man cannot be a bastion of integrity while at the same time being eroded by pornography.

Porn and the brain. Almost nobody today is aware of the profound changes that occur in the brain as a result of pornography. Current research is finding that porn use can actually rewire the brain. The sexual neurochemistry of the brain is so powerful that it causes changes in blood flow patterns in the brain. Research currently being conducted by Daniel G. Amen, M.D., using a neuro-measurement process called “SPECT” imaging (Single Photon Emission Computed Tomography), is showing how pornography actually rewires the brain. *Repetitive porn use can actually cause sex to become the brain’s organizing principle.* So it is that millions of dads today try to keep their porn addiction hidden from their families, all the while being aware that they think about almost nothing else than sex, but not understanding that their brains have been re-wired by their porn use.

Pornography demeans a father’s leadership in the family. Leadership is not nearly as much tied to position and power, as it is to integrity and servanthood. People generally willingly follow those who lead via servanthood plus integrity. Porn use destroys both servanthood and integrity, and in that transaction it sucks the moral leadership out of a man attempting to provide wise and uplifting leadership in the home. There is no greater arena than the family, in which the saying is proven true, “You can’t give what you don’t have.” Pornography leaches a father’s integrity.

So this “victimless crime” does great harm to dads.

In singles:

For fifteen years I was privileged to lead a singles ministry that touched the lives of 2,000 – 3,000 people per year. In that position I was frequently asked by single men and women, “What are we to do with our sexuality?” The answer seemed simple with the advent of the Internet ~ just dial up some free porn, and masturbate. But there’s a different answer ~ a better answer that leads to far fewer complications and far less pain.

The answer is to trust God. It sounds simplistic, but God designed the body in a manner that if one doesn’t have sex over a period of time, the body will have an orgasm and release during sleep. In males it’s called having a “wet dream.” In females, it’s just having an orgasm while sleeping.

Thereafter, the issue boils down to spirituality and morality. Basically, the question is this:

Will I have sex outside of marriage via:

- *Masturbation*
- *Prostitutes*
- *Homosexuality*
- *Sex on dates*
- *Sex with children*
- *Sex with animals*

Or will I trust God with my sexuality and thereby free my mind to focus on more productive activities such as career building, my social life, athletics, hobbies, spending time with my nieces and nephews, etc.

For single people this may seem an absurdly simplistic and naïve solution. However, the power of sexuality is so great that outside of marriage, it has the full capacity to dominate and ruin one’s life. This is not to say that everyone who is sexually active outside of marriage is dominated and soon-to-be-ruined by sex. Yet pastors and therapists know that lives are ruined every day and in every city by some form of sexual activity outside of marriage. I’ll never forget the Barbie Doll type lady who came to my office, sat down and burst into tears. When she finally stopped crying she told of “dating a wonderful guy ~ they’d had sex ~ she just found out she had Herpes.” Trusting God has its advantages.

In the singles world one learns that the guy who brags about his porn stash is at one level deviant, and at a deeper level unable to sustain genuine intimacy. One learns that the woman who shows a lot of cleavage and does the short skirt routine may be good while on the hunt, but has a hard time being a long-term partner because she can’t do adult attachment. Sex outside of marriage is costly. The question of wisdom is whether one is willing to pay the long term cost in order to achieve the short term gain. Many are willing, which is why the divorce stats for second marriages are worse than for first marriages. Pornography is very effective grease to lubricate the skids leading toward relational isolation and character ruin.

Some in the singles world think of porn use as a “relief valve.” To the contrary, porn use leads only to deeper problems and darker sexual practices. It preps mind for activities which are

harmful to healthy sexuality and destructive to the genuine attachment that is sought so earnestly by most singles. Porn doesn't solve anything – it just makes a difficult situation worse.

In marriage:

A case was referred to me several years ago, involving a young couple that was trying to “enhance” their sex lives by looking at porn and then making love. The “enhancement” was causing problems in their marriage. They came twice for help, but the deterioration of their marriage was already too advanced and they decided it would be easier to divorce than to work at reconstructing.

In marriage, pornography refocuses normal sexual drive, to become hedonistic and self-focused in nature. It is clearly not sinful to have sexual fun with one's spouse – to experiment – to change times, places, positions, etc.,. However, Christ forcefully and clearly taught that we are not to do the mental sex thing ~ he phrased it “looking at with lust” (see Matthew 5:27-30). Looking with lust does not mean a man noticing in passing that a woman is slender and cute. It does mean his mentally undressing her and imagining the size and shape of her breasts. Pornography is mental sex, and mental sex is clearly part of what Christ was talking about when he said it's better to cut your hand off than to burn in hell due to lust. That's extremely strong language. Incidentally, this text was one of the only times Christ spoke about hell. Perhaps there's something worth noting here. It is this refocusing from one's spouse's body, to the body of another person, that is destructive to marriage.

Porn destroys monogamous bonding between spouses. In God's original plan, the *only* breast a man was supposed to see, was his wife's. The *only* adult female body that was supposed to be fully exposed to him, was his wife's. In that transaction, his wife's body defined normalcy. Her body defined womanhood. It defined beauty. When a man limits himself to one definition of female sexuality, it's a lot easier to maintain fidelity. However, when there is a plethora of other examples of female bodies in a guy's head, that knowledge erodes his fidelity to his spouse.

The process is seldom overt, as in a guy seeing one pornographic picture and then hurling himself into a lifetime of prostitution and sexually transmitted diseases. No, things are usually far more gradual. (Keep in mind, the Enemy of God wrote the book on sexual sin.) One glance at a picture calls for two or three glances ~ or for a few minutes of studying every facet of the picture. Then the mind searches for another picture ~ another pair of breasts ~ another fully naked body. Then another. After a few weeks or months, perhaps another *source* of naked bodies is sought. Or perhaps a body that may be for sale. Or perhaps a body taking a bath next door when one can use binoculars, or a ladder, to peek into the bathroom. Or perhaps that cute secretary at the office. Or perhaps a quick fling with a pick-up at a bar. The process starts slowly, but it is powerful and once begun it is very difficult to stop. And that's how porn destroys monogamous bonding between spouses ~ which is why Christ came down so hard on mental sex.

Porn creates a destructive sense of comparison of one's spouse's body, with others' bodies. If one's wife is a 32-A, he starts wondering what a 36-DD would look and feel like ~ or vice versa. If his wife is tall, he wonders what a short woman would look like. Females present an unending

kaleidoscopic menagerie of body sizes and shapes. Once a man starts making comparisons, his wife always ends up losing because there's always someone who has a better bippy. The comparisons inherent in porn wreck havoc upon monogamy. The pathway is very broad, from seeing, to wanting, to acting.

Porn creates spiritual slavery. When the Apostle Paul wrote about spiritual slavery in Romans chapter six, it is likely that one of the forms of slavery he envisioned was sex addiction. With the advent of the Internet, porn addiction has become a major issue in our culture, with 70% of men ages 18 – 34 visiting porn sites at least once a month, and one out of every six women admitting they struggle with porn addiction. In one study, 47% of Christian homes reported that porn was a problem in *their* home. Porn creates ownership, or slavery.

Porn destroys parents' ability to teach the moral laws of God. Imagine a father sitting with a *Playboy* in one hand and a XXX rated movie in the other hand, trying to teach his son or daughter about being pure when dating. It's seldom that obvious, but parents who allow porn into their homes actually undermine their own ability to influence their children in the direction of virtue. Kids are notoriously adept at finding porn stashes, or Internet porn sites. If it's in the home in any form, kids are likely to find it. If it's in the home with the parents' knowledge and approval, then mom and dad just shot themselves in the foot in regard to talking with their kids about sexual purity, wisdom and safety.

Porn is a *big* problem in marriage. It's not something that a person can "manage." It's like trying to "manage" wood ticks on one's body as they sink in, suck one's blood, and infect a person with Tick Fever, or Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever, or Lyme's Disease. When I was in high school I spent a magical summer working at a camp on an island on the Lake of the Woods in Ontario, Canada. One day we discovered some old abandoned mining camp maps, showing mines within just a few nautical miles of our island. Four of us guys commandeered one of the camp's speed boats and visited some of them. We found several mining camps in mint condition, with even the silverware and cooking pots intact, as if one day in 1890 the camp boss said, "Pack up, we're leaving." It was a fun glimpse into a storied past.

To reach each of these mining camps we'd beach our speedboat and then using map and compass, orienteer through the woods to the camp. Hiking in Ontario means confronting ticks. As we returned to the boat after one of these mining camps, we noticed ticks all over us. The four of us (all guys) stripped down and found scores of ticks crawling on our bodies (I had 16 on just one of my legs). For the next few minutes we picked ticks off our bodies. The issue wasn't "managing" the ticks – it was ridding ourselves of them. So it is with porn in families.

Sexual problems in families become multi-generational. Research has consistently demonstrated the truth of God's Word when it talks about the sin of the fathers becoming a problem for the children to the third and fourth generation (see Exodus 20:5; 34:7). Sociologists know that welfare can rapidly morph into multi-generational sloth. Therapists know that alcoholism is a multi-generational disease. So also is sexual abuse. The fact is that any sin that is allowed free rule in a family, will impact the children, grand-children, and great-grandchildren's lives.

If a father brings porn into his home, he is planting seeds that can affect his great-grandchildren. A biblical example of this principle is seen in the life of King David (who had “sexual issues”), and his son, Solomon, who responded to his dad’s pathology by rounding up 700 wives and 300 concubines (see I Kings 11:3). So the question any caring parent must ask themselves is, “What legacy do I intend to weave into the lives of my children, their kids, and their children’s kids?”

Those Who Create Porn

A little known fact about porn movie creation is that the women who “star” in these movies usually do one, single porn flick and then quit the industry altogether. It is so demeaning, humiliating, and morally wretched that the average “porn queen” loses her taste for this stardom after one filming.⁴ Certainly, there are some who make careers out of porn, but not many. And someday, some enterprising Ph.D. candidate will do a dissertation research project on porn stars, and will undoubtedly discover precipitous levels of drug abuse, depression, relational isolation and suicidality among them.

When it comes to the absolute bottom of the porn barrel, child porn, consider the psychological and spiritual side of a two-year-old child being raped on camera. Anyone with half a brain will understand that this child’s life can never be the same again. Or consider the six-year-old boy being filmed having sex with a 45-year-old woman, or with a dog ~ what do you think it may take in the years ahead to help that child recover? Memory can be a blessing or a curse, depending on what’s stored in it.

Thirty years ago a college junior came for therapy. His problem was that he had fallen in love with a girl. On the surface this seemed as normal as apple pie. However, he was massively conflicted to the point of being suicidal. As he opened formerly locked pages of his life’s story, he revealed that when he was five years of age he’d had a sixteen-year-old female babysitter who had him perform oral sex on her. Now he was 21, but the damage been done when he was five was now the interpretive grid of his adult attachment. He was hopelessly conflicted as to what love was and whether he could allow himself to risk the depth of emotional connection being stirred in his soul. Think about how much greater his struggle would have been if, at age five he’d been coached and positioned and filmed by a crew of adults making a porn flick.

The point is that those looking at porn are not the only ones damaged by it. The lives of those who create it are ruined as well. Virtually nobody profits through pornography, except those who sell it. What they sell is human slavery and degradation disguised as entertainment.

Getting Porn Out Of Your Home

Porn often creeps into homes almost unnoticed at first. It’s the *Sports Illustrated* swimsuit edition. It’s the drumbeat of mental pornography found in women’s magazine articles about “23 ways to have an orgasm,” or “how to successfully cheat on your husband,” or “15 things your mother never told you about sex.” It’s the PG-13 movies that only show a little nudity here or there. It’s the TV ads for Victoria’s Secret underwear. Americans have become so accustomed to pornography that when we see it we don’t even recognize it any longer. But whether we recognize it or not, it influences our attitude, perception, behavior, values, and self identity.

In dealing with porn in the home there's really only one solution ~ kill it ~ get rid of it. In the first book of the Bible, the Lord God was speaking to a man named Cain. God said, "*Sin is crouching at your door; it desires to have you, but you must master it*" (Gen. 4:7 ~ NIV). That verse provides a mental picture of someone overcoming a monster lurking at the front door of their home. We'll close this booklet with an imaginary example.

Hyenas are very dangerous animals. Although they look like dogs, they are not related to the canine family. Rather, they are from the family system of the mongoose and meerkat. Yet in spite of their benign family system they are so vicious that hungry lions will leave a fresh kill rather than face a pack of hyenas. The jaws of a hyena can crack thick bones. They hunt in packs. They often follow lions around and let the lions do the heavy lifting. Then they move in and take over the fresh kill, driving the lions away.

Imagine that for some unknown reason, a pack of eight hungry hyenas has moved into your back yard. They hang out by the swing set where your children play every day. You live in the country, so there is no Animal Shelter system to call for help. Your children's lives ~ your family's protection ~ is fully and only in your hands.

You do have one advantage. You own a Remington .30-06 rifle with a Leupold VX-7L 3.5-14x56mm long range scope so powerful you could zero in on a flea's hind end at 150 yards. And you have a case of high power .30-06 ammunition. Eight well placed shots, and your children's swing set is a safe place again.

Now let's change the analogy slightly. Rather than hyenas, the predator stalking your family is the tidal wave of sexualization that has swept over our culture in the last 20 years. You don't have to look for it – it hunts you, your spouse and your kids down like a hyena. It is no less deadly to your children's lives than hyenas. But you do have one advantage. You have the wisdom of God's Word, the ability to teach your family about the dangers of sexualization, and the ability to limit the scope of pornography that your family will encounter. Here are some of your bullets:

- **Safe Eyes** (www.safeeyes.com) – to keep home computers porn free
- **Covenant Eyes** (www.covenanteyes.com) – to provide accountability with others
- **Mpower** (www.mypowerbox.com) – to protect your TV from pornography, foul language and wanton violence (being launched Oct. 2010 – go to web for further info.
- **Thrive** – an organization expert in speaking to kids about chastity, in public schools (314-991-7990)
- **Conducting a "sweep" of your home** – getting rid of all porn sources (magazines, movies, TV channels)
- **Smart parenting** – getting computers, TVs, and cell phones out of kids' bedrooms; knowing all your kids' passwords and checking in on a random basis; checking computer histories and cell phones numbers; talking with your kids about sex regularly, so that your thoughts and values become theirs
- **Scripture** – In another booklet titled, "*So Mom, Dad, Why DID God Create Sex?*" we have provided a biblical base of information to answer that question. God's Word is

always right on track. If you learn it and teach it to your kids, they will be far stronger in their ability to resist the temptation, ownership and destruction of pornography.

Pornography is not a “victimless crime,” and it’s nobody’s friend. It is universally degrading and destructive. Having porn in the home is like carrying wood ticks – sucking your family’s blood and creating diseases. It’s like having hyenas into your back yard. Porn is always destructive, to everyone it touches. The wise person will treat all forms of porn as they would a rabid bat ~ kill it and dispose of it.

So ~ what four thoughts has God brought to your mind as you’ve read this booklet? What four ticks, what four hyenas, have to go?

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