

## The Kingdom on Earth

### Looking with Lust

#### I. Introduction

- A. Matt. 5:27-28 (NAS) <sup>27</sup>"You have heard that it was said, 'YOU SHALL NOT COMMIT ADULTERY'; <sup>28</sup>but I say to you that every one who looks on a woman to lust for her has committed adultery with her already in his heart."
- B. Matt. 5:28 (NAS) "But I say to you that every one who looks on a woman to lust for her has committed adultery with her already in his heart."
- C. Matt. 5:29-30 (NAS) <sup>29</sup>"And if your right eye makes you stumble, tear it out, and throw it from you; for it is better for you that one of the parts of your body perish, than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. <sup>30</sup>"And if your right hand makes you stumble, cut it off, and throw it from you; for it is better for you that one of the parts of your body perish, than for your whole body to go into hell."
- D. Matt. 6:10 (NAS) 'Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, On earth as it is in heaven.'
- E. God's goal for us is not sin avoidance! His goal is to transform our heart!

#### II. Helps in Overcoming Lust and Sexual Sin

- A. Make a serious commitment to honor God's standards in the area of sexuality.
  - 1. Job 31:1 (NLT) "I made a covenant with my eyes not to look with lust at a young woman."
- B. Develop a deeply satisfying life in God.
  - 1. "Failure to attain a deeply satisfying life always has the effect of making sinful actions seem good." (Dallas Willard)
  - 2. There is no hurt God cannot heal, and no sin God cannot forgive.

#### III. Conclusion

**Next Weekend's Message:**