



Sermon On The Mount: Lust

Matthew 5:27-30



Gresham man accused of inappropriately touching girl aboard American Airlines flight

PORTLAND, Ore. — A 26-year-old Gresham man was arrested after allegedly inappropriately touching a 13-year-old girl who was sitting next to him on a flight from Dallas to Portland.

Chad Cameron Camp was arrested for abusive sexual contact and is due in court Thursday.



“Pastor Commits Suicide in Church-Owned Home After Admitting Adultery”

Yesterday I learned that Seth Oiler died in the prime of his life. The 42-year-old pastor of First United Methodist Church (UMC) in Newark, Ohio, committed suicide in his church-owned home a week ago. His untimely death followed an adulterous affair with a church staff member to which he admitted. I can only imagine the guilt, shame and condemnation that was flooding his soul.

<http://www.charismanews.com/opinion/watchman-on-the-wall/49866-pastor-commits-suicide-in-church-owned-home-after-admitting-adultery>

Exegetical Examination

Matthew 5:27 (ESV)

²⁷ “You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall not commit adultery.’ ²⁸ But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lustful intent has already committed adultery with her in his heart.

Exodus 20:14 (ESV)

¹⁴ “You shall not commit adultery.

Deuteronomy 5:18 (ESV)

¹⁸ “ ‘And you shall not commit adultery.

Adultery Punishable by Death in O.T.

Adultery was
considered to be almost
a form of theft.

You have taken
someone's
wife/husband who does
not belong to you.

Leviticus 20:10 (ESV)

¹⁰ “If a man commits adultery with the wife of his neighbor, both the adulterer and the adulteress shall surely be put to death.

Malachi 2:14 (ESV)

¹⁴ But you say, “Why does he not?” Because the LORD was witness between you and the wife of your youth, to whom you have been faithless, though she is your companion and your wife by covenant.

Exodus 20:17 (ESV)

17 “You shall not covet your neighbor’s house; you shall not covet your neighbor’s wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor’s.”

Job 31:1 (ESV)

31 “I have made a covenant with my eyes;
how then could I **gaze** at a virgin?”

But I Say To You

Look – βλέπων

Careful Consideration; Keep
on Looking

Lust - ἐπιθυμῆσαι

Covet. Greatly Desire. Crave.

Mark 7:20–23 (ESV)

²⁰ And he said, “What comes out of a person is what defiles him. ²¹ **For from within, out of the heart of man, come** evil thoughts, **sexual immorality**, theft, murder, **adultery**, ²² coveting, wickedness, deceit, sensuality, envy, slander, pride, foolishness. ²³ **All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.”**

Illustration: The Eye & The Hand

Matthew 6:22–23 (ESV)

²² **“The eye is the lamp of the body.** So, if your eye is healthy, your whole body will be full of light, ²³ but if your eye is bad, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light in you is darkness, how great is the darkness!

Ezekiel 20:8 (ESV)

⁸ But they rebelled against me and were not willing to listen to me. **None of them cast away the detestable things their eyes feasted on,** nor did they forsake the idols of Egypt.

Matthew 18:7–9 (ESV)

Temptations to Sin

⁷ “Woe to the world for temptations to sin! For it is necessary that temptations come, but woe to the one by whom the temptation comes! ⁸ And if your hand or your foot causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to enter life crippled or lame than with two hands or two feet to be thrown into the eternal fire. ⁹ And if your eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away. It is better for you to enter life with one eye than with two eyes to be thrown into the hell of fire.

We Must take Sin Seriously

Hebrews 13:4 (ESV)

⁴ Let marriage be held in honor among all, and let the marriage bed be undefiled, for God will judge the sexually immoral and adulterous.

1 Corinthians 6:18–20 (ESV)

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.

Be Careful Little Eyes What You See

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Proverbs 5:8 (ESV)

⁸ Keep your way **far from her**, and **do not go near** the door of her house,

Allow Christ to Be Lord of Our Hearts

Romans 12:2 (ESV)

² Do not be conformed to this world, but **be transformed by the renewal of your mind**, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

Philippians 4:8 (ESV)

⁸ Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things.