WHY ISN'T SHE MARRIED? (IMMODESTY IN CULTURE)

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TEXT: 1 Timothy 2:9 In like manner also, that women adorn themselves in modest apparel...

1 Timothy 5:14 I will therefore that the younger women marry, bear children, guide the house, give none occasion to the adversary to speak reproachfully. 1. No Desire: (Propaganda from devils and fallen culture; deception/trick).

2. God's Timing: (i.e., preparation of you or your future spouse, etc.; suffering/trial for reasons unknown for God's glory; discipline, etc.).

3. Immodesty:

A. Immodesty (1st definition) in the woman seeking marriage.

B. Immodesty (2nd definition) in the woman seeking marriage.

Ezekiel 16:30 How weak is thine heart, saith the Lord GOD, seeing thou doest all these things, the work of an imperious whorish woman;

1 Peter 3:6 Even as Sara obeyed Abraham, calling him lord: whose daughters ye are, as long as ye do well, and are not afraid with any amazement.

C. Immodesty in the culture (society)

"Enclothed Cognition":

"We show how clothes systematically influence wearers' psychological processes..."

(Journal of Experimental Social Psychology,
"Enclothed Cognition," Volume 48, Issue 4,
July 2012)

Carson, Tonight Show, "Oldest Farmer" (02-03-1988):

CARSON: "...Are you really 97?..."
MERRITT: "...That's what they tell me!...I [still]
run the tractor, hauling in the grain..." [Born in
1891]

CARSON: "How old's your son...?"

MERRIT: "He's 78."

CARSON: "You seem is such great health..."
CARSON: "What is the secret to staying married for 64 years?"
MERRIT: "I guess you gotta give and take a little...And bury the hatchet...You better settle it before you go to bed [at night]..."

CARSON: "Now, you've seen a lot of changes in women..." MERRIT: "Yes...When I was a kid, I was tickled to see a girl's ankle! That was pretty rare! We'd stand around town there; maybe a muddy day. Ladies come along, and maybe have to raise up their skirt a little. We'd see the ankle!

CARSON: "So a woman's ankle was exciting?"

MERRIT: "You bet it was!"

CARSON: "Do you think it's more fun to imagine something,

than to see it all?"

MERRIT: "Yeah. That takes the glamor away!"

The Fort Wayne News, "Modern Extremes in Feminine Dress are Denounced by Ministers...", Jan. 22, 1921:

"...Such is the opinion of the majority of ministers in Fort Wayne...the tight fitting garment...Immodest dress, so the ministers claim, i ruining many a girl's chance for participation in real matrimony..."

'Skirts should come at least to the shoe tops'...'While immodest dressing attracts masculine attention, it detracts from the esteem of men'...'Some women dress in a manner that is befitting savages...'...'Men of sober judgment would be repelled rather than attracted'..."

Lamentations 1:8...all that honoured her despise her, because they have seen her nakedness...

Revelation 16:15 Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame.

Zephaniah 1:8 And it shall come to pass in the day of the LORD'S sacrifice, that I will punish the princes, and the king's children, and all such as are clothed with strange apparel.

Luke 8:27 And when he went forth to land, there met him out of the city a certain man, which had devils long time, and ware no clothes...

Luke 8:35 Then they went out to see what was done; and came to Jesus, and found the man, out of whom the devils were departed, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed, and in his right mind: and they were afraid.

Scott Yenor, PhD, Heritage Foundation:

"The theorists and scientists of the sexual revolution thought...[L]iberation from divine proscription, parental authority, and traditional morality would, they thought, make people both happier and healthier.

They succeeded in creating a much more permissive society...They launched a critique of femininity...and attacked female modesty. No-fault divorce laws accompanied this revolution..."

"... Eventually, the Supreme Court of the United States afforded the sexual revolution constitutional protection through a series of cases on obscenity...between 1957 and the early 1970s."

"...pornography helped to loosen the commitment to marriage."

"...political theorist David Lowenthal argues, 'never before in human history had such volume and intensity of obscene materials been loosed upon the world...starting about 1960'..."

"...Internet - a second revolution that began circa 2000...

"...The end of obscenity turns sexuality away from enduring love, responsibility, and marriage..."

"...evidence shows that the prevalence of pornography compromises self-control and enduring human relations..."

"...those who view pornography regularly are more likely to support same-sex marriage...and to believe that being a stay-at-home mother is bad..."

"Consumers of pornography also act differently. They are...more than three times more likely to cheat on their spouses...Two university of Oklahoma sociologists, among many others, have shown how divorce and pornography consumption are also correlated..."

"Just as many of those who use narcotics build up a tolerance to low dosages, many of those who consume pornography demand greater variety and perversion..."

NPR, October 9, 2017:

"Married men and women who use pornography are more likely to get divorced than men and women who do not, researchers say. Porn is a driver in making relationships worse, increasing the divorce risk...the new study is building on an existing body of work..."

"...pornography may be a 'substitute' to getting married, according to a study published by the Institute for the Study of Labor in Bonn...'We assert that increasing ease of accessing pornography is an important factor underlying the decline in marriage formation and stability'..."

"Interestingly, the study notes that 'using the Internet to look at religious websites is positively associated with marriage probability..."

"...Patrick A. Trueman, president of the antipornography group Morality in Media, said, 'Research has shown for some time that porn use in marriage destroys the marital bond, but now we can see that porn use destroys even the desire to get married'..." (Emily Macke, Does Pornography Affect Men's

(Emily Macke, Does Pornography Affect Men's Decision Whether to Marry?)

Michael Malcolm, West Chester University of Pennsylvania, Discussion Paper No. 8679; November 2014:

"We show that increased Internet usage is negatively associated with marriage formation. Pornography consumption specifically has an even stronger effect...Between 1950 and 2010, the rate of marital formation dropped by 39%, with a 17% drop between 2000 and 2010 alone..."

"Today, the proportion of men between 25 and 34 years old who have never been married is more than six times higher than it was in 1970..."

"Marriages that do form are about twice as likely to end in divorce today as in 1950..."

"Lo and Wei (2005) and Lam and Chan (2007) find that pornography usage is associated with a negative attitude towards women..."

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Mark Regnerus, The Transformation of Men, Marriage, and Monogamy:

"...it was apparent that the more that men did traditionally women's housework, or women did men's tasks, the less marital [1 Cor. 7] they reported, controlling for lots of alternative variables..."

"...Men are more apt to morally disrespect such ['liberated'] women as possible long-term partners and spouses due to their concern about future fidelity...At the same time, they value them as possible short-term partners. This is maddening to many..."

"...suggest a pair of neurosurgeons... 'The...industry has successfully characterized any objection...as being from religious/moral perspective; they then dismiss these...as First Amendment infringements...evidence [however] indicates that it does indeed cause harm in humans with regard to pairbonding'..."

"...Eberstadt notes in his 2016 book entitled Men Without Work...'men appear to have relinquished what we think of ordinarily as adult responsibilities not only as breadwinners but as parents, family members, community members...they full their days in the pursuit of more immediate sources of gratification'..."

"How do they get by? With the help of parents - and girlfriends..."