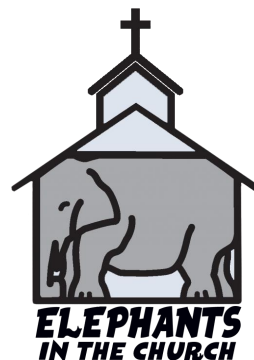




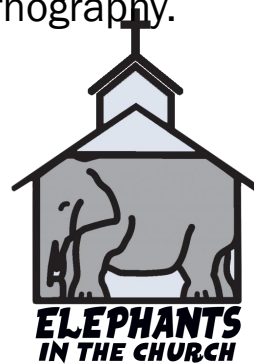
Pornography

- Human sexuality is powerful; and it was meant to be that way.
- Pornography is one of the biggest problems the church is facing today.
- Yet, many pulpits remain silent on this topic.
- As uncomfortable as it may be, we must speak out.



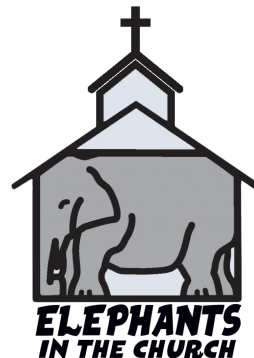
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- The U.S.A. leads all countries in porn use.
- 2016 – 92 billion pornographic videos watched.
- 30% of the Internet industry is pornography.
- 11 years of age: Average age of exposure.
- 64% of Christian men view.
- 31% of women are viewers.



Pornography

- A Major Contributing Factor To Pornography Usage Is That It Is:
 - Accessible.
 - Affordable.
 - Anonymous.



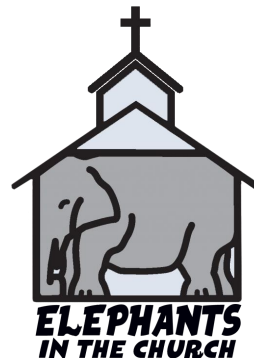
The Effects of Pornography

- It diminishes trust.
- It normalizes promiscuity & desensitizes the user.
- It “sexualizes” people.
- It promotes selfishness.
- It creates unrealistic expectations.
- It destroys marriages.
- It creates an addiction.
- It creates a progression into sin:
 - Exposure, Addiction, Desensitization, Escalation, Acting out.



What The Bible Say About Porn

- Matt. 5:27-28; Prov. 4:23; 23:7; 1 Cor. 6:18-20; Matt. 7:15-20.
- As sinful as pornography is, it does not rise to the level of fornication, and therefore, not a ground for divorce and remarriage.
 - Matthew 19:9
 - All pornography is sexual immorality, but not all sexual immorality is fornication.



How To Overcome Pornography

- Many seek freedom but find themselves going back.
 - (Ex. 1:11, 13; 14:11-12; 16:3).
- Faith (1 Jn. 5:4; Rom. 6:15-22).
- Realize it is not victimless.
- Be accountable.
- Change your habits (Mt. 5:29-30).
- Realize you can change (1 Cor. 6:9-11).
- Realize the eternal consequences (Job 31:1).



Pornography will rob us of relationships we value in this life, and more importantly, it will rob us of our relationship with God.

