

Clear and Present Danger #1

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Pornography

- Over 3,000,000 porn sites on the Internet.
- 1,000 new porn sites are being added daily to the Internet.
- Porn sales generate \$56 billion per year.
- Over 40 million people visit porn sites frequently.
- 70 percent indicate they keep visits a secret.
- One out of five men and one out of eight women admitted to viewing sexually explicit material on the Internet while at work.

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- The average age of first exposure to Internet porn is eleven years old.
- The 12-17 age group is the largest consumer of Internet pornography. (E. G. Dunn)
- 18% of religious people in one *Focus on the Family* survey visit porn sites
- 33% of preachers in a *Christianity Today* survey had recently visited a porn site.

What's Wrong With It?

- It's addictive (1 Cor. 6:12)
- Damages Children (Matt. 18:6-10)
- Leads you into sin (Matt. 5:28)

Other Problems

- Chat rooms
- Games
- Time

What Can Be Done?

- Adults
 - Satisfying relationship with mate (Prov. 5:15-20; 1 Cor. 7:1-5; 1 Pet. 3:7)
 - Practice self control (1 Cor. 9:27)
 - Repent (Acts 8:22)
- Children
 - Move the computer into the den
 - Monitor their friends

Ungodly Dress

- What's the clear and present danger?
 - Can lead others into sin (1 Cor. 8)
 - Sends the wrong signals (Prov. 7:6-10)
 - Shows the lack of respect for themselves and God (1 Tim. 2:9)