

were working on a school project. The two were seated at the family computer when a window popped up depicting sex. Horrified, the mother quickly shut down the computer. She then hired a computer technician, who discovered a trove of hardcore porn on the hard drive. The couple wound up divorced.

Men are wasting countless hours looking at porn on their TV/DVD/Phones, and online. They find the way they look at women in real life **warping** to fit the porn fantasies they consume on screen. Their daily interactions with women becomes pornified. Their relationships sour. They have trouble relating to women as individual human beings. They worry about the way they see their daughters, and girls their daughters' age. It isn't only their sex lives that suffer porn's effects. Their see-all utopia will quickly become a dystopia if they are ruled by their addictions. It ripples out, touching all aspects of their existence. Their work days become interrupted, hobbies tossed aside, family lives disrupted. Some men lose their jobs, wives & children. The sacrifice is enormous.

There is no difference between hard-core or soft-core porn. The problem with soft-core porn is that it's voyeurism. It teaches men to view women as objects rather than to be in relationships with women as human beings. Because porn involves looking at women but not interacting with them, it elevates the physical while ignoring/trivializing all other aspects of the woman. A woman is literally reduced to her body parts & sexual behavior. Women are looked at as just beings with holes and not beings with souls.

There is something to be learnt from convicted serial killer Ted Bundy: "This is the message I want to get across – that as a young boy ... certainly I encountered in the local grocery store, in the local drug store, the porn that people call 'soft core.'" As he grew older, Ted Bundy said his obsession drove him to mutilate & murder young women for sexual gratification. "In the beginning it fuels this kind of thought process. Then, at a certain time, it is instrumental, I would say crystalizing, making it into something that is almost like a separate entity inside, a building up of this **destructive energy**. You keep craving harder porn."

Gary Bishop, convicted of five deaths of boys, ages 5-13, gave this testimony: "I am a homosexual pedophile convicted of murder. **Porn was a determining factor in my downfall**. Porn was like lighting a fuse on a stick of dynamite. I became stimulated & had to gratify my urges or explode."

Men who view a lot of porn talk about their disgust the first time they chance upon an unpleasant image or unsolicited child porn. But with experience, it doesn't bother them as much. **Shock wears thin quickly**, especially given the frequent image assault they encounter on the Internet. What about women. In recent years, women's magazines have regularly featured a discussion of pornography from a new perspective: how women can introduce it into their own lives. While many women continue to have mixed or negative feelings towards pornography, they are told to be realistic, to be "open-minded." Porn, they are told, is sexy, and if you want to be a sexually attractive & a forward-thinking woman, you've got to catch on. The porn industry has convinced women that wearing a thong is a form of emancipation, learning to pole dance means embracing your sexuality & is what every sexy and supportive girl should do. Obvious rubbish.

The ubiquity of porn, along with its effects on families, children and marriages, cannot be ignored, regardless of whether the impetus to limit it is religious or simply pragmatic. When so much of our culture has been pornified – young girls in makeup, regular use of revealing lingerie in movies and on TV, – the subject merits serious examination. What kind of world are we introducing to our children. Everyone will agree that "It wasn't like this when we were kids." Anyone having this thought will simultaneously experience a sense of fear & loss.

Evil has an enslaving power that none of us can resist – on our own. It's time to teach all children good old-fashioned shame. Through religion. Societies can regress from shamelessness...and the time is urgently now. Before our rebelliousness against heaven results in a twin-hell. Diseases ravaging bodies/minds for an earthly hell. Then the eternal "heat" for the "hot bodies" you couldn't bring yourself to avoid viewing. Rethink your next Internet search. Porn is a sinful pastime. Forget those furtive Google searches: xxx girls...delete...power down computer. Lift up your hands; start praying: "My God, please help me. I need my family...I love my daughters...my sons will be ashamed of me." Prayer has a liberating power. **Marital Sex is Sacred. A Spiritual Celebration of Oneness. Porn is degradation. Smut. Filth. Foul.**

Porn exists for the lonesome, the ugly, the fearful. It's made for the losers. With sex so messed up God should have continued the generation **of our species by fashioning us out of clay**.

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Virtual "sex" is pathetic

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A prime example of stupefaction

The so-called "adult" entertainment industry, **which is anything but adult**, is destroying the fabric of all societies. The graphic depiction /description of the ways in which women are used & discarded as commodities is sickening.

Most disturbing of all is how accepted & mainstream this sort of "entertainment" has become. What we see now is humiliation, suffering, pain, almost all of it inflicted on silly young women for the "pleasure" of emotionally stunted men. We're witnesses to the ongoing destruction of the human soul, which is lost in a world of glittering superficiality which can't conceal its innate cruelty, ugliness & emptiness. We forgo morals, and peace, for an elusive and unattainable happiness. We must wake up from our state of induced childishness...or continue our headlong plunge into destructive fantasies & reckless self-gratification (**to "enjoy" the fantasy of endless variety**). The road to depravity leads into the **heart of hell** & yields isolation. The road toward sanctification, however, leads into the **heart of God** & yields freedom from temptation.

Porn has dynamited the foundations of society... exploded the protective walls of family. How long will governments refuse to block internet porn fueling addictions that have been well proven to cause **mental instability** & violent tendencies? There are an estimated 4.2 million porn sites, about 12% of the total; these sites are the target of about 25% of all search engine requests. **Shocking!!!**

It's what you **DON'T** see that's attractive. Btw, what's ur spouse doing between 9pm & midnight on their smartphone? Wicked, eh!

Pornography is the quadrophonics of sex. It adds a third & fourth track to the sexual act. It is the hallucination of detail that rules. Science has already habituated us to this microscopics, this excess of the real in its microscopic detail, this voyeurism of exactitude.

It's perhaps a sign of the times, in this age that deifies emotions, that negative feelings about porn are seen **not** as signals over out-of-bounds behavior, but as evidence of outdated sexual norms & prudishness. With porn "in the open," your spouse, your child is just a click away from unimaginably explicit images. Discussions cannot remain behind closed doors. We cannot remain oblivious to the rapidly deteriorating moral landscape around us. In this global sex-saturated culture. Illicit sexual global warming via the Internet. It's akin to a social earthquake. A tsunami of sexual depravity. Portrayal of girls in porn mags is not "art." The Prophet (p) has stated that **any woman who takes off her clothes except in the presence of her husband has broken God's shield upon her**. No twisted logic. No hiding behind the smokescreen of "freedom of speech." "Girlie art" was & is porn & the bridge to the gross porn that now splatters on screens. Porn users require stronger & stronger jolts of porn to maintain their level of excitement – eventually pushing them into the outer realms of human sexuality. Into a conflagration not unlike the awful descriptions of hell.

There is moral confusion about sexuality that afflicts many in our supposedly sexually-liberated culture. Porn does do serious harm – to the men who use it, to their relationships with women & to their families. The greatest harm is to the women who "act" – sending the signal that "women" are autonomous sex objects. It's degradation that consumes like a malignant tumor. There is something more alarming than what porn does to adult men/women. By means of cable TV, Internet, cell phones, porn enters our homes & affects children in their pre-teen & teen years. Online porn is the most dangerous form of the problem. Beware: X-rated entertainment products tout themselves as "educational."

Porn is the commercialization of women, turning men into consumers & women into products to be used & discarded. The boundaries of porn

continue to be pushed, taboos reduced & the prevalence in society increases personal & societal acceptance. Porn leads to degradation not only through people's actions, but also through their words & perceptions. Porn contains an important element of sexual reprisal against women, arising out of men's self-disgust at their dependence on female "inferiority" for the measure of their own "superiority."

For above all, porn is ritual. It is an enacted drama that is laden with meaning, which imparts a vision of the world. The altar for the ritual is a woman's body. And the ritual which is carried out on this altar is the **desecration of flesh**. Here, what is sacred within the body is **degraded**.

Porn creates a social environment where men & women have totally unrealistic expectations of each other in a relationship. The guys expect their girls to be 23-year-old porn stars & to stay that way; the women expect, well, everything. No wonder commitment is no longer part of the picture. A girl you can marry & expect to keep? She might be an endangered species. Though schools & societal gurus talk a good game about teaching safe sex, how is anyone supposed to do this for teens who watch nothing but extremely unsafe sex typical of modern porn?

Suggestion to those who are disturbed by porn. **Don't enter into a relationship with someone who likes it!** Divorce lawyers/family counselors can share story after story of the harmful effects of porn addiction. Believers suffer a great harm when they allow porn in their lives. They struggle with the inevitable feelings of separation from God as they continually give in to their sinful habits.

Don't be FOOLED by stupid talk: "It's all mainstream now!" That's what Zack, Seth Rogan's character, says to his intended love, Miri, about porn, in an effort to get her to make a porn film. The film is "Zack & Miri Make a Porno," the latest comedy/romance from Kevin Smith, and one of many recent comedies (and romances, shockingly) to make light of porn. Indeed, in Seth Rogan's film, "Knocked Up," his character's "job" is creating a porn website. The women in the film? After a quick, symbolic "yuck!" they become willing participants.

It is all mainstream now. Over the past ten years, technological advances, cultural shifts & social attitudes have transformed the porn landscape. Today, men, women and children are affected by the ubiquity & mainstreaming of porn in unprecedented ways. The Internet has made porn more anonymous, more accessible & more affordable than ever before, bringing in new users, increasing use among

existing fans & catapulting others into sexual compulsiveness. Children are being exposed to porn earlier than ever before, in ways that profoundly affect their sexuality. Sex was once a sacred act between husband & wife. Today demonic forces, using film & drama, have converted sex into a satanic trap. Porn does **not** help you better understand sexuality. It is sick & sinful.

Not only is porn itself more ubiquitous, the entire culture has become pornified. By that is meant the aesthetics, values & standards of porn have seeped into mainstream culture. Young girls brazenly pose in sexual ways on their Facebook pages & other social networks, even creating porn-like videos of themselves gyrating & preening before untold numbers of strangers.

Celebrity couples boast about their trips to the hottest strip/sex clubs. Characters on primetime sitcoms extol the benefits of porn. Even mainstream women's magazines advise women to enliven their marital bedtime routine by turning on late night sex shows. Porn, we are being told, is good for you, and especially good for relationships. This is a HUGE lie. The truth: Sex, in porn, is a commercialized product, devoid of emotion, stripped of humanity, an essentially **empty experience**. Porn is something that creates an immediate heightened response, draws you in with lofty promises, artificially excites, it pulls your trigger but in the end leaves you empty and spent... pun intended.

Young men today are terrible lovers. "In real life, sexually-speaking, women are crock pots & men are microwaves. But in porn, all a man does is touch a woman & she's howling in delight. **Porn is so widely used by young men, they learn these falsehoods.** There's evidence that the more porn men watch, the less satisfied they are with their partner's looks & sexual performance. **No wife, no matter how beautiful she is, can compete with porn.**

Matrimonial lawyers attest to a growing docket of cases in which porn becomes a major source of tension. "Porn wrecks marriages," says M. Maddox, a Virginia-based attorney. There's always a case involving porn being worked on at any given time. In one case, a wife found out her husband was involved in Internet porn while she & their daughter

Tell them: My Lord has

forbidden indecent acts

whether overt or hidden

Quran 7:33