



HSM PRESENTS: HIM + HER SERIES OVERVIEW



SERIES AT A GLANCE

TEACHING THEME

Moral Boundaries

Think of moral boundaries like a fence: on one side is all the good, moral behaviors we can freely act on and outside the fence are the immoral behaviors. Jesus doesn't want us to just see a list of yes and no's, but the Bible does give us moral boundary guidelines because **God knows that boundaries protect us.** God sees a bigger picture for our lives full of hope, joy, peace, freedom, etc. Learning how to protect our bodies and emotions, **to honor God's plan for sex and morality**, and respect ourselves and others - **it's not about restrictions, it's actually about living more in God's freedom.**

SERIES OVERVIEW

Guys and girls can be vastly different. They do say that opposites attract. **But how can we honor each other and God in our dating relationships?** We are going to dive into some advice the Bible has for us on how to pursue true love, respect each other, and not rush but look for God's leading.

HIGH SCHOOL HACK

Your high school students probably already feel a social pressure to date. Every week, let your students know: **This series isn't an encouragement to date, it's an encouragement for students to use godly wisdom when they date.** Some students in your group may not be dating yet, and that is ok! In fact, Paul says it's better to stay single (1 Corinthians 7:10) and our last week we are going to talk about not rushing – so if your students aren't dating or don't feel ready yet – GREAT! This lesson is still good wisdom and discussion for them because chances are one day they will start dating and when they do – they'll be able to start on a great foundation of Biblical wisdom!

WEEK BY WEEK

WEEK 1: WEEK OF MARCH 7, 2021*

- MAIN POINTS:
 1. Know what you're pursuing and
 2. Don't make excuses or settle for less.
- MAIN SCRIPTURE: Proverbs 31:10-31
- JESUS CONNECTION: God wrote the greatest love story ever told because of how much He loves you!

WEEK 2: WEEK OF MARCH 14

- MAIN POINTS:
 1. Guys and girls may be different, but we can still seek to understand and respect one another.
 2. Respect God with your body.
- MAIN SCRIPTURES: 1 Peter 2:15-17 & 1 Thessalonians 4:3-5
- JESUS CONNECTION: We all were born slaves to sin but God sent Jesus to die on the cross to rescue us from our sins and death.

WEEK 3: WEEK OF MARCH 21 WHAT ABOUT SAME-SEX SEXUALITY?

- MAIN POINT: As Christians we are called to balance living in God's grace and truth.
- MAIN SCRIPTURES: Zacchaeus story overview, Romans 2:4, Matthew 19:4-5, Romans 1:26-30
- JESUS CONNECTION: We have all sinned and all need forgiveness that only Jesus can give to us.
- TEACHING POINTS (GRACE):
 1. Zacchaeus example: Zacchaeus was a tax-collector in an anti-tax collector culture. Zacchaeus encountered God's kindness in Jesus before he began following Jesus.
 2. What is Sin? Attractions and temptations are not sin, but acting on lust or engaging in sexual behavior outside of God's design of marriage is sin.
- TEACHING POINTS (TRUTH):
 1. Jesus and the Bible define marriage as a union between a man and a woman.
 2. The Bible defines same-sex relationships as sin.
 3. God loves all people but hates all sin. That's why we all need Jesus. We have all sinned and all need forgiveness that only Jesus can give to us.

WEEK 4: WEEK OF MARCH 28

- MAIN POINTS:
 1. Be willing to slow down and look for God's leading.
 2. Honor God with your dating life.
- MAIN SCRIPTURES: Song of Solomon 2:7 & Hebrews 12:1-2
- JESUS CONNECTION: It was Jesus' joy to suffer on the cross – because He loves you and wants a relationship with you.

**HSM Campus Pastors have the option to choose between their groups going through this week's curriculum OR having a Party Break week to hang out, have fun, and emphasize student inviting friends. Talk to your HSM Campus Pastor to discuss the best choice for your group.*