

Workshop 1

Thursday, June 23 at 8:00 PM

Protecting Your Church from Sexual Predators

Jim Newheiser | **Location: Chapel**

Sexual predators often look upon churches as soft targets for their evil acts. Church leaders and parents need to implement proven policies and practices which will our children safe.

The Proverbs on Sex

Brian Borgman | **Location: High School Room**

Sexuality is a gift from our Creator. But the abuse and misuse of the gift is devastating. Proverbs does two things regarding sex: it extols the goodness of sex within the proper boundaries and severely warns against the destructive misuse of sex.

Homosexuality: Caring for Family and Friends

Tom Maxham | **Location: Middle School Room**

There is an increasing need in the church today to care for the family and friends of a homosexual loved one. Family and friends need biblical answers about how to think and respond to this trial. The gospel is central and Scripture is sufficient to provide compassionate and uncompromising counsel.

Women & the Word (women only)

Caroline Newheiser | **Location: Room 205**

All Christian women know they should read their Bibles. The desire is often weak and even the knowledge of how and where to start is lacking. This workshop will cover the importance of Bible reading, memorization, and suggested study methods. Stories from actual cases will encourage us to delve into and trust the Scriptures.

Talking to Teenagers About Sex

Joel Fitzpatrick | **Location: Room 207**

It is uncomfortable but it needs to be said, the Bible talks a lot about sex, and so should the church. In this session Joel will give some helpful guidelines for how to talk with teenagers about sex and sexuality in the context of the church.

Keys to Evangelism in a Sexualized Culture

George Scipione | **Location: Room 206**

This workshop teaches godliness as the key to avoid the trap of sexualized relationships. Your personal holiness and Christ-like servanthood are the tools to point others to Jesus and not you. The implications for counseling are emphasized

Workshop 2

Friday, June 24 at 10:45 AM

David and Bathsheba: Counseling and Teaching from Old Testament Narratives

Iain Duguid | Location: Chapel

Adultery and abuse are unfortunately still staples of the counselor's life, just as they were in David's time. How do we use Biblical narratives to illuminate and encourage counselees to connect their story with the larger story of God's work in the world, to provide hope and to point them towards Christ?

Home: How Heaven and the New Earth Will Satisfy Our Deepest Longings

Elyse Fitzpatrick | Location: Middle School Room

In this world of fear, trials and loneliness our counselees often feel adrift, like they're searching for a place where they can truly make themselves at home. What we all long for is the new earth, the place God has been preparing for our eternity with him. In this session, we'll explore heaven and the afterlife, learning that our final destination is not on a cloud, but rather in a perfected earth.

The Hypersexualization of Children and Youth

Eileen Scipione | Location: Room 205

Ever wonder how to respond to the Hypersexualized messages our children are consuming? Hear very practical applications of gospel promises and gospel warnings to our preteens and teens.

Male Leadership in a Genderless World

George Scipione | Location: Room 206

This workshop points you to a Christ-like manhood. You will learn leadership without oppression. The implications for counseling are emphasized.

Legal Challenges and Changes: What You Need to Know

Deborah Dewart | Location: Room 207

It has been nearly a year since the U.S. Supreme Court announced its fractured opinion purporting to redefine the institute of marriage across the nation. That opinion—lacking roots in either constitutional law or morality—intensified the cultural chaos and threats to Christians who worship, live, and work according to God's design. There is an urgent need for churches, pastors, and biblical counseling ministries to understand the rapidly changing legal landscape so they can effectively minister God's unchanging truth to a broken world.

Workshop 3

Friday, June 24 at 3:00 PM

Bringing Healing to Marriages Broken by Sexual Sin

Jim Newheiser | Location: Chapel

Sexual sin has a devastating impact on a marriage. The gospel offers hope as God works through His Word and His Spirit to change hearts empowering repentance, forgiveness and transformation.

Gender Blending and Confusion

George Scipione | Location: High School Room

This workshop explains the religious and social reasons behind the culture's confusion about gender. The Biblical view of gender and the way out of this morass is laid out for individuals, families, churches and the culture. The implications for counseling are emphasized.

Lies That Fuel Disordered Sexual Desires

Craig Marshall | Location: Middle School Room

Behind sexual sins and temptations are often subtle but distorted views of ourselves, the nature of sex, and the character of God. In this workshop we will examine some of these lies and how the gospel breaks through them to reveal that the truth is better than we may think.

Helping Wives Whose Husbands Struggle with Pornography (women only)

Martha Peace | Location: Room 205

"Helping Wives Whose Husbands Struggle with Pornography" includes giving hope and practical direction to the wife as well as teaching her Biblical resources that God has given to protect her. This workshop also includes a list of fearful/prideful thoughts comparing them to the God-honoring biblical thoughts that she should have. This session ends with an evaluation of further rescues to help the wife.

Still Sinning After All These Years – A Biblical Theology of Sinful Failure

Barbara Duguid | Location: Room 206

If all things work together for the good of those who love God, then even the indwelling sin against which we wrestle each day must somehow benefit us. Since God does all things for his own glory and for the good of his precious children, remaining sin must somehow be good for us and bring God glory. How can this be? How does God's deliberate decision to begin the work of new creation in us while leaving us tied to weak, depraved and very sinful flesh impact us? How can we try hard to obey God's laws and still experience joy, even though we find ourselves falling terribly short day after day? In this session we will look at Paul's struggle with indwelling sin in Romans 7, as well as many other Biblical passages and narratives, to understand God's loving purpose in allowing his beloved children to struggle with so much sin even while they try very hard to obey him.

Helping Women with Child Sexual Abuse in Their Past: part 1 (women only)

Zondra Scott | Location: Room 207

Counseling the sexually abused woman can seem too daunting an endeavor, or become a tangled web of issues for both counselee and counselor in the process. This workshop will unfold a biblical description of typical issues of those who have been sexually abused, and an overview of what typically needs to be accomplished towards the freedom, usefulness, and joy God intends for them and His glory.

Workshop 4

Friday, June 24 at 4:15 PM

How to Love Christians Struggling with Same-Sex Attraction

Sam Allberry | Location: Chapel

There are many Christians wrestling with same-sex attraction in our churches. How can we best support, encourage and help them? We'll be thinking about some of the vital steps to helping them flourish in Christ, as well as some common mistakes to avoid.

Critiquing Evangelical Arguments for Same-Sex Relationships

Brian Borgman | Location: High School Room

Over the last number of years both scholarly and popular level attempts to reinterpret what the Bible says about homosexuality has grown significantly. As biblical counselors we need to understand these arguments, so that we can engage and help those who have been exposed to them.

A Battle Plan for Fighting Pornography

Keith Palmer | Location: Middle School Room

Many believers are losing the battle to pornography because they aren't fighting with a biblical plan. This workshop outlines a clear strategy for battling pornography with the sufficient resources found in the Person of Christ and the Word of God.

Helping Women Who Struggle with Pornography (women only)

Martha Peace | Location: Room 205

"Helping Women Who Struggle with Pornography" briefly explains typical examples of secular and Christian psychology programs, but majors on how to biblically counsel a woman caught up in pornography. There are four phases: Biblical principles on mortifying the flesh; confession and accountability; what to do with the card-catalog of images/romance scenarios that come to mind; and dying to self and becoming consumed with the glory of God. The workshop concludes with recommended and not recommended resources.

The Advantages of Remaining Sin – Encouraging the Sexual Sinner to Celebrate Christ in the Context of Their Worst Failures

Barbara Duguid | Location: Room 206

In this session we will apply our theology of sinful failure specifically to counseling and helping believers who long to walk in faithful obedience to Christ but find themselves falling into sexual sin time and time again. We will consider the difference between a rebellious sinner and a weak sinner who hates their sin and repents with godly sorrow, but is unable to break free. How is rebellion different from weakness and what difference does that make in the church and the counseling room? How do we point precious strugglers to Christ, and how does the imputed righteousness of our great Savior provide the greatest motivation of all for obedience and change?

Helping Women with Child Sexual Abuse in Their Past: part 2 (women only)

Zondra Scott | Location: Room 207

To help flesh out the overview of Part one, this hour, Zondra will unfold specific resources useful in counseling those women plagued or hindered by past sexual abuse, and their life responses to it. You won't go away without some effective tools for your counseling toolbox.