THE UNFAITHFUL HUSBAND

WHY?

In this pamphlet, I will try to shed light on some of the things that contribute to the violation of the marriage covenant by men. It is my sincere concern for the dignity and sacredness of the marriage bond that prompted me to do so in the hope that the reader will come to a better understanding of what marriage is, as well as, to what being a Christian is, without which one is left in a maze of confusion as to how to live a successful life.

THE POLITICIAN

Sad to say, it is not infrequent that we hear on the news that a politician is exposed as having an affair (he committed adultery). Some say, "What's the big deal? He is only human, and no one is perfect." Others believe that there is nothing wrong whatsoever with adultery. To them, sex is for personal gratification, and as long as it is between two consenting adults, there is nothing wrong with it. Others believe that it is a horrible and disgraceful thing, and that it is also a serious sin. Along with these views, there is a myriad of others that we will not concern ourselves within this writing.

Where lies the answer— what makes a decent man, a Christian man, a family man, do such unholy things? Is it really true that we are only human, and we really have no control over our sexual desires? Is it really true that men have always been sexual predators and have always been unfaithful to their wives? Well, I am here to say *not so*. However, my *not so* has qualifications. It depends on how one looks at God and His commandments and His forgiveness for my *not so* response to be accurate. If I live like an animal and respond to my animalistic drives, then of course, I will fall into all the sins of the flesh. However, if the laws of God are in my heart and I am truly dedicated to living by them, then my statement has validity. The big problem comes when one is not sure of what God and His Church expects of him or if he knows, but society by its words and actions causes him to doubt, leading him to the assumption that mortal sin is not so bad after all. Only a person with a well-formed conscience and the will to abide by it, will ever put out the effort to strive for holiness, and without becoming holy one is doomed to a life of sin. *And the ravage of sin is death.*

THE HAIR DRESSER

While waiting for my wife, who was getting a hair cut, I overheard the hairdresser make the comment that she could remember as a young girl in catechism, being told by the teacher, who happened to be a nun, that a good wife should not refuse her husband sex. The woman scoffed as she related what the nun had said. It was evident that she was in total disagreement.

At this point, I decided to take the opportunity to make this statement: "I personally believe that it is a shame that a man can leave his home and seek out a harlot and receive more affection from that harlot than he receives from his own wife. Is there any wonder that we have so many men abandoning their home today?" The hairdresser solemnly responded, "You're right and that is just what my husband did. He left me."

Yes, I truly felt sorry for this lady. However, she did make the choice, but it was the wrong choice. She chose the world, which is controlled by the radical feminists over the word of God. She scorned the words of the good nun, and now is suffering the consequence. Sad to say, today our young people, for the most part, are not hearing these Godly truths, so they have no basis, to make an informed choice. The radical feminists are in control, and they have little opposition from the Church, which seems to be "Out for Lunch" on these domestic issues confronting all families today.

THE DEACON

A young mother was attending a talk for Catholic women given by a permanent deacon. While the deacon was going through Sacred Scripture, he happened upon Ephesians 5, where St. Paul says a woman should be subject to her husband. The deacon proceeded to discredit this passage by explaining that this was a long time ago and that the culture had changed and so women no longer have to be subject to their husbands. The young mother became quite unsettled with the deacon's comment, and discussed it with some of the women at a later time. She shared that if we could discredit St. Paul as out of date and only cultural, then it stands to reason that St. Paul's admonition to husbands that they should love their wives as their own body, must also be viewed as outdated and cultural. She also reminded the ladies that St. Paul said that children should be obedient to their parents. She ended up by saying, "Is there any wonder we have so many unhappy marriages and a skyrocketing divorce rate today?"

The young mother confided to me that the deacon's erroneous statements really did not do much harm, for she seriously doubted that this group of women would have submitted to their husbands even if he had correctly interpreted the passage.

Now this deacon's belief is not an isolated belief. It is shared by the vast majority of Catholics, and is the primary ingredient in the destruction of families today. It is truly unbelievable that in a matter of just a few decades, Catholic leaders have completely reinterpreted Scripture, and they seem to do so with no qualms of conscience. Is there any wonder most Catholics no-longer look to the Church for guidance? The Church, if it is to have influence with its people, must teach the truths of God faithfully and consistently. The Church must be counter cultural; it must always transcend time and culture, which change like the seasons. With so many of our bishops, priests, and deacons coming from families that have absorbed the feminist mentality, it is little wonder they see nothing wrong with this secular family life. They all look at their family members as good people, so they reason, my family is ok, even if their lifestyle contradicts Scripture. So, Scripture has to be discredited in some way to justify their family's departure from it. Consequently, the cause of the disharmony in the family is not looked upon as a result of the abandoning of God's Laws. No, it is excused as just a part of our modern society. In other words, in their minds, there is nothing they can do or will do about the destruction of the Catholic family. Yes, it seems that many Church leaders have decided to lovingly refrain from adhering to the two thousand year teachings of Holy Mother Church.

In counseling couples, I will often ask the wife this question: Which wife is most likely to be physically abused by her husband? The wife who believes that Scripture is not outdated, and that she should indeed love, honor, and obey her husband. She also believes that this should be done first for love of God and second for love of her husband. Now the second wife is much more modern and believes in her independence. She believes that husband and wife are equal in authority and she is free of any obligation to subject her will to his. She is ready to defend her rights at all times, and is proud that he rarely, if ever, wins an argument with her.

All the women without exception said the one who adhered to the Scriptural account of what a wife should be would be the least likely to be abused by her husband. *Which do you think?*

Next I asked, which of the two women's husband is most likely to have an affair? Again, all said that the wife who rejected the Scripture. *Which do you think?*

Our problem is that both men and women are not being taught the Faith as it relates to the family. Spousal abuse, in large part, is a direct result of this lack of Godly education. A little known fact is that men in many instances are being abused by their wife; we just don't hear about it. The reason given by the experts is that men tend to be ashamed to acknowledge it.

We have totally gotten away from logic. Christ talked about those who have eyes and cannot see, and ears and cannot hear. We, with all our "supposed education," have lost our common sense.

Chesterton said that we need to un-educate the educated. We have too many educated morons out there who themselves have messed up lives and messed up minds and are infecting other people with their messed up propaganda.

If you were able to question the politician, the banker, the baker, or the candlestick maker who had an affair, you would likely hear reasons something like these: It has gotten to the point that I just don't like her anymore. Or — I hate to go home. — She is constantly nagging and complaining. — I can't do anything right. — When I try to make love to her, she usually responds coldly. — She shows little affection to me. — Sex is a burden for her.

Now, I ask the reader in this "I'm ok, you're ok" world, where almost every perverted lifestyle is being accepted; a world that honors people who live grotesque, immoral, and despicable lives, almost as if they were gods. Can you see how a man can leave his wife or has an affair, and it does not bother his conscience? What is there that would prevent him from giving in to his passions? A stern-faced, nagging wife is all the husband needs to justify his unfaithfulness, and the majority of husbands have one.

As was said at the beginning, "Is it not sad that an immoral woman can give more love and compassion to a man than his own wife?" A wife who has been misled into believing that the order God has ordained for the family is unjust and unacceptable for her.

In the past few decades the clergy, for the most part, has gradually taken the side of the feminists, i.e., equality in authority. Nevertheless, equality to most feminists is really total control by the wife. Truth be known, they would really prefer the woman not to marry at all. Most feminists are for same sex marriages. In fact, they are for anything that will destroy the sanctity of holy matrimony. Like the communist who says, "All I want is peace." The only peace to the communist is everyone becoming communists. Evil is much like that, total destruction of the family is its objective, and in the past few decades, evil has devoured over half of the families through divorce, and many of the ones that are still standing are on the verge of collapse.

The sexual drive God placed in the man is extremely strong. Without a strong belief in God and His Church, it is almost impossible for him to remain faithful to his wife.

If a husband is expected to remain faithful to his vows to love his wife as his own body, and if the children are to love and obey their mother and father, then the wife by both words and actions, must do her part and lovingly obey her husband. For by her example the children learn **loving obedience** or **defiance**. A man will find it extremely difficult to be faithful and to love a woman who shows him little affection, and is begrudging in sexual intimacy. It is almost impossible for men to stay faithful to their wives and for wives to truly love their husbands if God's laws are systematically denied and mocked by those who have the duty to teach the purity of truth.

Pope Pius XI

I would like to quote Pius XI, who lived not "way back in another time in another culture and tradition," as the deacon said. Pope Pius XI lived during the life time of many of those who will read this pamphlet. Here is what the Pope had to say concerning false teachers:"*The same false teachers who try to dim the luster of conjugal faith and purity do not scruple to do away with the honorable and trusting obedience which the woman owes to the man. Many of them even go further and assert that such a subjection of one party to the other is unworthy of human dignity, that the rights of husband and wife are equal; wherefore, they boldly proclaim, the emancipation of woman has been or ought to be effected." The Pope goes on to say . . . " This is not an emancipation but a crime."*

I ask the reader to honestly ask yourself this question. Has there been a change in the unchanging truths of the Church, or was the Pope correct, and these church leaders are actually the false teachers who have not only tried, but have succeeded in destroying the luster of conjugal faith and purity, as well as

the honorable and trusting obedience the woman owes to the husband? The Pope goes on to tell of the debasing of the woman if such trends continue. The Pope was almost pleading with the woman, trying to warn them of the consequences of this false liberation. However, I truly believe that the Pope, in his worst nightmare, would have never dreamed that both women and men could have sunk as low as they have today, and not only with the support, but with the encouragement of so many of those who are supposed to preserve the purity of the faith, and direct God's people in the ways of truth and holiness

Women are different

This section is especially dedicated to members of the media who are still grappling with the concept that women are different from men.

God created woman's sexuality quite differently than man's. Man's sex drive is always running, and for some men it runs wide open most of the time. This is where the correct knowledge and understanding of God's laws come into play. Like gravity, it matters not if someone in the Church denies it, it is still there, so if you jump off the ten-story building because someone said gravity is no longer relevant, you are likely to end up dead.

Unlike the man who lived one hundred or so years ago, who, if he saw a rear-end, it would likely be that of his mule pulling the plow, men today are constantly tempted everywhere they turn. If they turn the TV on, there it is, immorality. And with the majority of women now in the workplace wearing seductive clothes that are designed to reveal rather than conceal, everywhere he turns his passions are aroused. When the man gets home, he is ready to do a lot more than just go to sleep. However, what he is ready for, and what he desperately wants, his wife is not likely to be ready for nor wants. She is likely to be tired, have a headache, or not feeling well. Now the husband at this point is ready to go, and that my friend is where God's laws come. That is where the deacon's comments are not only in contradiction of what both Scripture and the Church has taught for two thousand years, it also contradicts common sense.

God's laws take into consideration the way He made man and woman. If that woman doesn't believe that she is to lovingly submit to her husband, then why should she bother herself with what he *wants*, after all doesn't he always *want*. Can't he be considerate and have some feelings for his poor wife who is tired and is not feeling well? Can you see now what causes men to be unfaithful? When a man is denied the very thing God gave him, that being, the desire for sexual relations with his wife, if the wife doesn't understand God's laws and continues to deny her husband that to which he has divine rights, her husband, like so many other men, will start looking elsewhere for the love and affection that his wife has denied him. The woman who is not interested in God's laws or has been confused by the horrible advice that is being masqueraded as Catholic teachings, is most likely going to drive her husband into the arms and bed of another woman.

Conclusion

Now ladies, please take this advice and give your husband the best loving he has ever had, and when he looks at you with amazement and disbelief, just smile and say, complements of *Christian Family Outreach*.

