

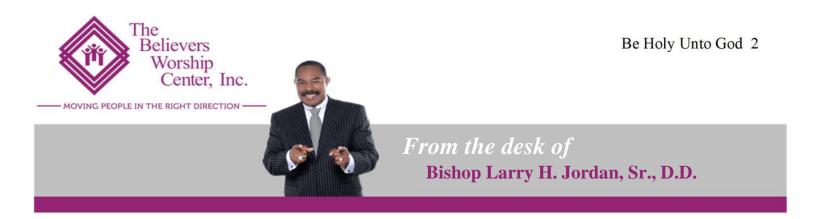
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Understanding the Power of a Naked Body

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- Genesis 3:1-7 reveals the Devil wanted control of the human body. Eating from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil brought death to man and created a war between God and the Devil for the control of the human body, spirit and soul. Now we have spiritual warfare.
- 2. **Psalm 51:5** reveals our body is born and conceived in sin. The day we were born, we were born to sin.
- 3. Genesis 3:7-11 reveals both Adam and Eve's eyes were opened and they knew they were naked. As a result, they sewed fig leaves to cover themselves. Because they were naked and hid themselves, God asked the question, "Who told you that you were naked?" God created them naked and now they are ashamed to be naked.
- 4. Genesis 2:25 says they were both naked and were not ashamed.
- 5. Genesis 9:22-27 reveals Ham saw the nakedness of his father Noah and as a result Noah cursed Canaan to be a servant of servants to his brethren.

- 6. **Revelation 16:15** Nakedness described in this scripture is metaphoric in that the nakedness is not a physical nakedness. Jesus is coming like a thief in the night and it is our spiritual responsibility to be prepared and clothed in righteousness. To be any other way exposes us as being spiritually unprepared (naked) and men will see our shame.
- 7. **Matthew 5:27-28** reveals how a woman's body or a man's body can be desirable through the power of lust. Jesus said whoever looks at a woman to lust for her has committed adultery with her in his heart (Matthew 5:28). The Devil knew that eating the forbidden fruit of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil would bring death to mankind, and he could create knowledge to use the body for lust and desire for a naked body. Therefore, the Devil through his lust created fornication, adultery, sexual immorality, sodomy, and lust for sexual imagination from the image of a naked body.
- Romans 7:23-25 reveals how powerful the body of sin is to the law of the flesh. Only Jesus Christ can free you from the body of death.
- 9. 1 John 2:15-16 the Devil is the ruler of the world according to John 14:30 and Luke4:6-7. He controls the world through the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes and the pride of life.

- 10.1 Corinthians 6:13-20 It is the will of God that we honor Him with our body. The Devil wanted to take away the focus that our body is a spiritual temple. It is the will of God that we glorify God in our body and spirit and not with the lust of the world
- 11. **1 Thessalonians 4:3-5** Spiritual progress is when sanctification from God's word teaches you to abstain from sexual immorality. It is your responsibility to know how to possess your own body in sanctification and honor. The Holy Spirit lives in your heart, and you have the power to overcome lust to be clean and holy before God.