

**General Topics :: Beware of Sharing Here****Beware of Sharing Here - posted by Trekker, on: 2011/9/30 5:25**

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Re: Beware of Sharing Here - posted by Lovefirst (), on: 2011/9/30 5:35

Only females? I think no...

Re: - posted by jimp, on: 2011/9/30 6:58

hi, some have been told about being out of order by moderators in the past. remember brother, religion is the most wicked thing on the earth. it killed adam and Jesus. jimp

Re: - posted by enid, on: 2011/9/30 7:23

I might just change the direction of the thread, sorry.

But jimp, I need to ask, how did religion kill Adam?

Jesus, yes, I can see that.

But, Adam?

I might or might not get an answer. So be it.

Re: - posted by mguldner (), on: 2011/9/30 7:42

Adam ate from the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil, this was forbidden, Why? It is because God wanted to personally teach Adam what was right and wrong in His Eyes. By eating the fruit Adam was open to interpreting what he believed was right or wrong, Adam would spend the rest of his life trying once again to have that intimate relationship with God that he lost and thus Religion was born. Also look at what Adam did the instant his eyes were open to the fact that he was naked, he covered himself up with fig leaves ie man covering his nakedness by himself not only poorly but improperly, God scarifies an animal (the first animal ever killed) and gave Adam and Eve proper coverings. Adam covering himself with fig is a representation of Self Righteousness or a self covering while God's scarifice of the animal was a sign of proper covering or His work and righteousness. This is also in connection to Jesus cursing the fig tree saying No more will man try to cover themselves with improper coverings but they will be covered by my righteousness.

Hope that clears it up for you :)

Re: Beware of Sharing Here - posted by MaryJane, on: 2011/9/30 8:48

by Trekker on 2011/9/29 23:25:48

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Trekker

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For awhile when I posted I thought much like you that there were a few who seemed to criticize in the way others posted but I have learned that I was the one who was being easily offended. Those who I thought were being critical were actually just trying to help me grow in my walk with JESUS and for the most part were spot on in some of the things they shared. I realize that since this is a public forum, an open forum that it is difficult to share too much personal spiritual problems because there are others that we need to be mindful of and considerate of in what we write. I do think that is why some sisters and brothers have at times offered emails and phone numbers because they realize the potential damage that can happen when one who is perhaps new to CHRIST goes looking for advice in a forum such as this. Often times we might write something in such a way not thinking how it might affect another person or cause them to stumble and that is where the real danger can be.

Anyway I just thought I would share my experience in this area. I do think that sharing and posting can be a blessing but I have seen that it can be harmful as well. I do think that is why we must be in prayer and seeking JESUS before we post or respond to posts.

God bless
mj

Re: - posted by MrBillPro (), on: 2011/9/30 9:55

There are a lot of folks in this world just in general that feel it's their duty in life to speak out, and 90% of their speaking out is "opinion". I personally feel that people's hurt is as unique as their fingerprints, we all hurt differently. So the folks that come on here and just spew out opinions, need to be very careful, because everyone hurts differently, you cannot stereotype hurt. If God is truly leading you to help someone, it will be with Love, Grace and kindness, never ever will he lead you to bring down, only to build up. So if you post something and it's not building up, well it's not God leading you, it's old sluefoot.

Re: - posted by sarahsdream, on: 2011/9/30 10:22

Adam and Eve died from the Lust of the Eyes, Lust of the Flesh and Pride of Life.

Isn't this what kills everyone?

Re: Beware of Sharing Here - posted by Lysa (), on: 2011/9/30 12:16

Trekker, you are a female, correct?

I hope not but you may be speaking of me as being in a "gang" of females! The only place I can think that I may have offended you was in the "Christian Social Networks" thread; when I made that comment, "there is a real danger today facing the Church of Jesus Christ today and that is all this...social networking stuff," I did not know that you were disabled and could not get out of the house. So that comment was not one made to you personally; if I offended you, I offer my apologies.

During my years on here, I've come to find that most people disagree with a response, not the person who made the response; because that same person will applaud you in another thread and then shoot you down in the next! It's just the way of a public forum!

God bless you, Trekker!
Lisa

Re: , on: 2011/9/30 12:25

I don't know if I've been over critical... but if I have I apologize...

...even though I am not a chick.

Krispy

Re: - posted by enid, on: 2011/9/30 12:27

Chick?

So be it.

Re: , on: 2011/9/30 12:39

...it was humor. American slang.

Krispy

Re: - posted by Lysa (), on: 2011/9/30 12:57

Quote:

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Krispy

He's a krittr, not a chick!! LOL

God bless you too, Krispy!

Lisa

Re: - posted by Leeza, on: 2011/9/30 14:27

I want to apologize too if I have spoken too strongly at times. I think the printed word can come off a little harder than face to face, where you see a little better what is in the heart.

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2011/9/30 15:06

Firstly, I want to address that the subject line of this thread in the discussion forum is un-called for. There is nothing to be aware of posting in the sermonindex forums. There are many wonderful godly saints here that loves others more than themselves. Also there have been many people on these forums who have been contributing for over 4-5 years. So for someone to come on the website in just a few months and accuse or speak towards the entire discussion forums is uncalled for and not wise.

There are some men and women that are not mature and may be speaking more than hearing and speaking out of turn in some ways. Those who are more mature in the Lord and have the grace of Christ should minister and be patient with these ones in the Spirit of Love and the bond of peace.

We must have the desire to come of the forums to serve others and come in a Spirit of learning and humility. Also before everyone posts a post to the forums this paragraph is here and it would do us all good to re-read this carefully:

The site moderators ask you before you post that you consider praying and ask the Lord if you have the right spirit to serve others in the body of Christ before posting and pressing the submit button. Please also look at these scriptures: Matthew 12:36, James 1:26, Colossians 4:6

Re: , on: 2011/9/30 15:59

Brother Greg - some of us are older mothers and have but one concern. It is that of the Young in Christ and in age that view these forums.

If you and Brandy could just read this one thread - I wonder if you'd want your underaged child to be exposed to things like this and the other threads that the women have had trouble with that are multiplying on a weekly basis regarding sexual contents.

http://www.sermonindex.net/modules/newbb/viewtopic.php?topic_id=41064&forum=35&12

We pray the day will not come that you will be contacted by the parents of those young people that post their approx or exact age, as we've seen not a few do so, that have been exposed to quite explicit descriptions of sexual rantings here. That is a concern as well as the spiritual, moral welfare of the young, in and for themselves.

Thanks in advance.

Re: - posted by ginnyrose (), on: 2011/9/30 16:21

Quote:

He's a krittr, not a chick!! LOL

And fried to a krisp! Hence 'Krispy Krittr!'

Couldn't help that, or could I? lol

Re: , on: 2011/9/30 17:45

Sharing here?

How about just being wise and not share everything?

Your personal struggles should be with a trusted friend and you should email him or her or a spiritual Mother or Father.

You shouldn't share those personal spiritual struggles here. This is really not the place.

Please don't misunderstand me, I didn't say you can't share your personal spiritual struggles here, remember who your sharing it with, the whole community and the world! Not everyone needs to know your struggle.

The reason why that is is because your going to get a flood of different opinions, both negative and positive. It would be far better if you shared that information with a friend online or in person, that way you can feel refreshed knowing that someone is bearing and helping you with your burden.

Wouldn't you rather be encouraged from a friend helping you along and praying with you as you overcome than to have Brethren that the Holy Spirit hasn't assigned to you and they be a hindrance to your walk instead of a help?

And for the record, Krispy is a Chick, Rooster variety! :o)

Re: - posted by JB1968 (), on: 2011/9/30 17:50

I am not a mother, but a father of four children, and the husband of one wife. I too do not think it is appropriate to have sexual discussions on a forum. Some have done it more than once, which causes flags to go up on the reason why... Personal email or talking to a godly friend, etc. will be more effective than airing it on this forum. Even though sin is sin, sexual sin is more enticing to some when spoken publicly about. Satan seeks to tempt with the forbidden. The good news is Christ has victory! So please, keep the details in private conversations or other forms of communications. Thanks.

Re: - posted by Trekker, on: 2011/10/1 3:28

QUOTE: "I hope not but you may be speaking of me as being in a "gang" of females! The only place I can think that I may have offended you was..."--Lysa

Lysa,

I honestly am not aware of you having offended me at all. I don't recollect anything by you. So don't think that. I haven't really been keeping track of many names of this "gang", it's just a general impression. One person in particular has been standing out. The first two times I was able to concede her points but then as there presented an ongoing pattern of always policing people's posts in response to anyone who posted a problem they were looking for help for it began to get to me. I happen to think we should be sharing each other's burdens as Christians, and should be able to do so without fear of being judged. At least 3 different people received this person's comments, and in one case when someone else had already beaten her to the punch, she was left with just having to criticize someone who *replied* to the original poster (me and someone else). Always nitpicking about words; how the post (body) was worded (even though there was nothing wrong with it), how the title of the post is worded, etc. Enough already. It is beginning to remind me of Jezebel. As Jezebel and her controlling spirit tried to take the place of Ahab and use the royal seal in his place to take over Naboth's vineyard, this person tries to assume the place of the moderators and take over SI. Now, if it were a case of her criticizing or rebuking someone over false doctrine or heresy that I could go along with; I would back her 100% then. Heresy is a different issue altogether.

Females are known for having a controlling and critical spirit much more so than men (though there are exceptions to every rule). And I am guessing that if such a person does this kind of thing here then they are probably doing it in their local church too.

Also, if someone has issues with the way some young Christian is wording something when asking for help they should take it up directly with a mod, rather than constantly creating a negative atmosphere in every other forum where people seeking answers are made to feel like they cannot share their true selves and be open and honest about their struggles. It is beginning to grieve me to watch other people post their heart's struggles (because they have no one else to turn to) and ask for help only to be shot down by these persons. I watch this pattern and I think, 'It's not safe to share anything here'. So yes, BEWARE OF SHARING PERSONAL INFO HERE AT SI!!

Re: - posted by jimp, on: 2011/10/1 3:52

dear sarahsdream, the bible tells us that God told Adam that if you eat of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall surely die. Also in the garden was the tree of life. Jesus is the way, the truth, and the life. Knowledge of good and evil is religion and life is relationship. Satan told Eve that if they would eat of this tree they would be as gods. Man's problem from the fall has always been trying to earn favor by doing good but this is just as evil as evil for it produces self-righteousness. Ergo we cannot earn our salvation by being good but only by the finished work of Jesus who died on the tree of life. jimp

Re: - posted by rainydaygirl, on: 2011/10/1 9:16

by Trekker on 2011/10/1 0:28:12

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This thread is beginning to sound a bit like gossip. Trekker you clearly have a problem with this "gang" of people you are talking about may I ask have you attempted to speak with each of them about your concerns before you brought this into the public forum and began saying these things? Even though you have not mentioned names you are still speaking about fellow sisters in Christ and not giving them a chance to respond, this seems very much like an attack on their character and I wonder if your original post was written after you prayed? Was it written in love for these other sisters?

Just asking?

rdg

Re: - posted by PaulWest (), on: 2011/10/1 10:32

It is my conviction that gender-specific topics dealing with marital issues, etc. should be reserved for private consultation with an appropriate individual. It is unwise to bring such material to an open public forum like SI because these can be very complicated and sensitive areas - the areas where Satan hits God's people most profoundly - and where some of the greatest strongholds in the mind of a Christian exist. Would you ask random people off the street to perform open heart surgery on you?

As such, it has always been my fear that even the mere mention of certain key words can spark a fire in places where God has placed a burn ban. As moderators, we sometimes serve as a type of forest ranger to see that no one is endangering the spiritual well-being of the other visitors through negligence in fire safety. It is therefore asked that topics of a suggestive nature be not publicized here.

Re: - posted by sarahsdream, on: 2011/10/1 10:39

Dear jimp,

I do agree. This is what I was talking about.

Gen 3:6 And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, (lust of the flesh) and that it was pleasant to the eyes, (lust of the eyes) and a tree to be desired to make one wise, (pride of life) she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat.

1Jn 2:16 For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.

Whatever is not of the Father is evil, no matter how "good" it looks.

Sarah

Re: , on: 2011/10/1 11:51

rainydaygirl, your handle made me think of an old Gordan Lightfoot song. Sorry, I guess that's the way my mind sometimes works.

Re: , on: 2011/10/1 12:53

Trekker, if seeing the need to protect underage kids and if parents with Homeschooled children have to suddenly make SI taboo because of one man that comes on here and defiles many with lengthy descriptions of his sin and curse words and even saying how good looking he is and posts his picture to prove it - though none of the Sisters here clicked on that link - and because of his explicitness, it opened the door to others to come on thinking this is the place to behave in a way that they wouldn't in a Church with women and children around --- a mother/grandmother reacting to such would not be call a "Jezebel" and I believe you need to read what a Jezebel is Especially if you Are a female and even if you're not ...

Rev 2:20 Notwithstanding I have a few things against thee, because thou sufferest that woman Jezebel, which calleth herself a prophetess, to teach and to seduce my servants to commit fornication ...

and then go back and read SermonIndex's first paragraph because this is a first here at SI where a number of people have had to bring up the inappropriateness of these type posts on a public Christian forum.

Re: Jesus-is-God - posted by MyVeryHeart (), on: 2011/10/1 13:00

Hello Sister,

I was reading and came across this and the Lord brought you to mind. So I clicked on SI and saw you had just posted. God really loves you. Be encouraged!

Did Jesus Christ interpose betwixt us and the wrath of God, as a Mediator of reconciliation? did he rather chose to receive the stroke upon himself, than to see us ruined by it? How well then does it become the people of God, in a thankful sense of this grace, to interpose themselves betwixt Jesus Christ and the evils they see like to fall upon his name and interest in the world? O that there were but SUCH a heart in the people of God! I remember it is a saving of Jerome, when he heard the revilings and blaspheming of many against Christ, and his precious truths, "O (said he) that they would turn their weapons from Christ to me, and be satisfied with my blood!" And much to the same sense is that sweet one of Bernard, "Happy were I, if God would vouchsafe to use me as a shield." And David could say, "The reproaches of them that reproached thee, fell on me, Psal. 69: 9. Ten thousand of our names are nothing to Christ's name: his name is "kalon onoma", a worthy name; and no man that gives up his name as a shield to Christ, but shall thereby secure and increase the true honour of it. And though wicked men, for the present may bespatter them, yet Jesus Christ will take it out of the dirt, (as one speaks), wipe it clean, and give it us again. Oh, it is the least one can do, to interpose ourselves and all that is dear to us, betwixt Christ and the wrath of men, when he (as you hear) interposed himself betwixt you and the eternal wrath of God!

by John Flavel

excerpted from the Fountain of Life Opened Up

Re: - posted by rainydaygirl, on: 2011/10/1 13:32

by Endzone on 2011/10/1 8:51:44

rainydaygirl, your handle made me think of an old Gordan Lightfoot song. Sorry, I guess that's the way my mind sometimes works.

Sorry I do not know who that is so I really can't comment on it.

on another note I really did like what PaulWest shared and i agree with what he said.

rdg

Re: - posted by bible4life (), on: 2011/10/1 13:47

You know I would like to say i have been on the otherside of this before, mainly because of my constant posts on the same issue and i think because some think i might be doing this for show or something. On one part the brothers and sisters were right I should be sitting and meditating on the wisdom by the saints and take what they say more serious then just continuing to post, but at the same time no one on this site knows how badly i have been suffering and hurting, the tears and pain i have gone through for the past 4 years or more, it has been real hard, so i was hurt when i was called out and at the same time it made me think about what they said, partly i agree, but as someone who also has tried to put things together and think the right way, i have realized you can do nothing without God's Spirit and i hope that everyone will continue to pray for me if anything at all. Love you all keep the unity in Christ.

Re: , on: 2011/10/1 17:57

"but at the same time no one on this site knows how badly i have been suffering and hurting, the tears and pain i have gone through for the past 4 years or more, it has been real hard".

Perhaps we don't, BUT, that doesn't mean that we haven't gone through hell.

I know of people in my own city that have gone through similar situations and you know what? They too will tell you and me, saying "no one understands what I am going through". I am telling them that I do understand because I have been there and yet they still sit there saying the same words over and over that nobody understands them.

I get pretty frustrated hearing those words, however, in saying that, what they are saying is this, "Your not going through my pain now, so how can you understand?", because that is how I thought.

Well, that may be true, but what is the point of experiences?

As parents we may as well stop being parents because we are not going through at this moment what our children are going through.

It's a good thing that we both don't experience the same thing together because we'd both be wallowing in the mud crying, "Oh woe is me".

I have never seen God send a drunk to minister to one of His children on how to overcome drinking.

Or send a sex maniac to help overcome sexual sin.

He usually sends someone who has gone through similar experiences to encourage and uplift.

During my times of heated trials, I had to come to the understanding that it's not important if anyone understands what I am going through, what is important is that Jesus will deliver us if we continue to repent and cry out to Him. During our times of extreme hell, repentance, crying, weeping, is all the norm in the walk of a believer.

I would encourage you to listen to Carter Conlon messages, he is such a great brother of encouragement. And that is what you need right now, encouragement and lots of it.

http://www.tscnyc.org/media_center.php?pg=sermons

Re: - posted by jimp, on: 2011/10/1 20:32

hi, after many years of ministering to the homeless; i found myself homeless yet still employed with my stuff in my old car. i told the Lord that i did not find this situation very humorous at all and He told me to call an old friend. i called her and she directed me to her home where her and her husband lived. she had a mother in law apartment with a full bath in this million dollar home that i stayed at for a month until i got my own place. i was homeless in my car for less than 10 days and God blessed me in the midst of turmoil. He is a good God and He loves us. jimp

Re: - posted by ArtB (), on: 2011/10/1 21:21

by sarahsdream on 2011/9/30 7:22:15 writes:

"Adam and Eve died from the Lust of the Eyes, Lust of the Flesh and Pride of Life.

Isn't this what kills everyone?"

No!

Re: , on: 2011/10/5 9:43

I agree with others... some of the "sharing" lately has been completely inappropriate (sexual sins, etc).

Some of the sharing has been of personal spiritual struggles, and that's important. We need to be able to do that. I know my advice tends to be very blunt, but I do not do so for the sake of offending. Sometimes the truth is hard. And sometimes I am wrong too.

What we do need to be careful of is seeking advice, particularly in regards to relationships in real life because they not only effect the advice seeker, but those who they are in relationship with. Especially marriage and children.

Personally I will offer some general Biblical advice concerning marriage, or share an example from my own marriage... but refrain from offering advice as to what to do in marital situations because a) it's impossible for me to know enough about a situation to offer advice... and b) there are always 2 or more sides to a situation and on the SI forums we are ONLY getting one side.

We would all do well when sharing to check our motives and make sure the end goal of our sharing is to seek God and His Word. Not others opinions, or to get people "on our side". And when giving advice... keep it Biblical. If you can't back it with the Word... don't offer it as advice.

Things with me have always been black and white. I want everyone to know that just because I am blunt doesn't mean I hate you or want to beat you up. Nothing could be further from the truth, and frankly sometimes the conclusions people draw about me do hurt... because it's not what I think or feel. But I love God more and am more concerned about proclaiming His truth than I am about always being popular with people.

2 Corinthians 2:4 "For I wrote to you out of much affliction and anguish of heart and with many tears, not to cause you pain but to let you know the abundant love that I have for you."

Krispy

Re: , on: 2011/10/5 20:08

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Very encouraging story brother. God is so good. He loves us more than we know. Bless you this evening, and thank you for being real.

Endzone

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2011/10/5 23:42

We are locking this thread and will be taking a much closer and harder stance on posts about sexual struggles. As moderators we are not able to catch all discussions that need to be stopped, locked or deleted. Please have patience with us and more importantly pray for us as we run these forums and guide them as the Lord leads.

May Jesus Christ Himself allow these forums to be a place sanctified for His word and a place for the Spirit of God to work on the hearts of men and women.