

Navigating Sexual Issues with Gospel-Centered Truth

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PART 3

Melping People Heal



## KEY TAKEAWAYS

- Wholeness is not just about helping people say no to sin, but steering them toward a genuine relationship with Jesus Christ. All ministry can be summed up as helping people encounter God. Many around us are carrying questions and shame but don't know where to go for help. The initial step of helping is becoming a safe person.
- We communicate safety when we "go first" by speaking out of vulnerability rather than expertise. We provide a caring environment by listening and asking good questions so we can understand the person in front of us. We love others well when we interact with them without trying to "fix" them.
- God reveals Himself through special revelation, natural revelation, and relational revelation. As we minister to people, we will use these three pathways to reveal God.



## NOTES



# REFLECTION & DISCUSSION

	Why is it important to "go first" in making a relationship safe to share about vul-
	nerable issues? Who is a Christian leader who has modeled this well for you?

2 What is your greatest barrier to being a good listener?

3 Describe the difference between being missional in a relationship and trying to fix the other person.



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4	Why is God's	Word so	essential	to addressing	sexual	issues i	n ministry?
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5 Read Proverbs 8. What does this passage say about the wisdom God embedded within His creation? How can we glean from this wisdom while keeping "the fear of the Lord" as the foundation?

Why is "relational revelation" so central to healing from sexual brokenness? How can your relationships be a powerful ministry of presence?



### APPLICATION

In one ministry conversation over the next few days, make a concerted effort to only listen to the other person without offering opinions or suggestions. Use your words to encourage, express empathy, and let the other person feel understood. Write about your experience here:



### **FOLLOW-UP RESOURCES**



Rethinking Sexuality Chapter 11



Surprised by the Healer: Embracing Hope for Your Broken Story by Linda Dillow & Juli Slattery



Java with Juli #216: Do You Have an Agenda? \*In Java Pack

Java with Juli #146: All You Need Is Jesus! ...And Your Therapist



SexualDiscipleship.com How to Choose a Wise Counselor



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