

# Losing Your Virginity

"What God has yoked together, let no man put apart." (Mark 10:9)

How do you think God yokes two people together? Is it with that piece of paper we call a marriage certificate? Are the vows or promises two people exchange the means God uses to yoke them together?

I remember being told several years ago by a promiscuous worldly fellow that he avoided virgins. He didn't want to be their first because afterwards they were too clingy and difficult to get rid of.

If you ask someone who has had multiple sexual partners about their first, they will tell you that there is still a spot in their heart for that first one (unless they were too intoxicated or drugged up to remember much, in which case no one holds that special place in their heart).

I am hypothesizing here that Jehovah yokes a husband and wife together with something he built into us when he created mankind. His purpose is for two virgins to fall in love and get married. When that plan is followed a strong foundation of love is activated when they have sexual relations for the first time.

It's not like seeing the sunset over an ocean for the first time, or tasting some exotic food for the first time, or riding your first roller coaster. Those are new and exciting memories, but an actual physical change doesn't occur within you when you experience those types of things for the first time. When you are with your first, something happens to your heart. A permanent bond of love is created for that person. Perhaps that's where the term "making love" comes from.

I'm writing this to you virgins out there to let you know that if you decide to have recreational sex, not only do you lose your virginity, but you also lose a great gift from Jehovah. It is only with your first sexual partner that this happens. There are no do-overs. You don't get a second chance to have your first. That built-in yoking only happens the first time and it can't be transferred to someone else. And time doesn't re-set it either.

So don't waste that wonderful wedding gift from our heavenly Father on someone you aren't going to spend the rest of your life with. Keep it safe until you get married and you will have an ingrained foundation of love that others who threw that gift away don't have in their marriage. It will make the love you two share deeper than you can imagine, and will help you through those difficult or troubled times in your marriage that the yoke-less don't have in their marriage (which attributes to the high divorce rate).

Also consider this: What if after you threw away your gift you come across that special someone that you want to spend eternity with, but that person has kept their gift safe and they only want to marry someone who has done the same? The most tragic of all tragedies is lost love. If someone you love dies, the resurrection can bring them back to you. But if they reject you and choose another, they can never be yours.

Your virginity is not the frivolous thing that the world makes it out to be. So please don't treat it as such.