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# SEXUAL IMMORALITY

#### Missouri DE and NFL prospect Michael Sam announces he is gay

"I'm not naïve," Sam <u>told the *New York Times*</u>. "I know this is a huge deal and I know how important this is. But my role as of right now is to train for the combine and play in the NFL."

"I didn't realize how many people actually knew, and I was afraid that someone would tell or leak something out about me," Sam told ESPN. "I want to own my truth. ... No one else should tell my story but me."

#### Scripture to Consider:

#### 1 Cor. 6:9

<sup>9</sup> Or do you not know that wrongdoers will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived: Neither the sexually immoral nor idolaters nor adulterers nor men who have sex with men

#### Matthew 15:19

<sup>19</sup> For out of the heart come evil thoughts—murder, adultery, sexual immorality, theft, false testimony, slander.

#### Romans 13:13

<sup>13</sup>Let us behave decently, as in the daytime, not in carousing and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and debauchery, not in dissension and jealousy.

## 1 Cor. 6:18

<sup>18</sup> Flee from sexual immorality. All other sins a person commits are outside the body, but whoever sins sexually, sins against their own body.

### **Colossians 3:5**

<sup>5</sup> Put to death, therefore, whatever belongs to your earthly nature: sexual immorality, impurity, lust, evil desires and greed, which is idolatry.

- 1) What was your reaction when you heard this story?
- 2) Does it change our reaction because he is a football player?
- 3) What if you were one of his teammates? How would you respond? What about being in the locker room together?
- 4) How are we supposed to respond to someone who may announce they are gay?
- 5) How do you compare someone involved in a gay or lesbian relationship to the other sexual sins like adultery, sex outside of marriage etc.?