

## **Somewhere Over the Rainbow Part Three - The Hijacking of the Rainbow**

**The rainbow has been hijacked and is being used as a symbol for a perverse form of sexual expression.**

### **Hebrews 13:4**

Marriage should be honored by all, and the marriage bed kept pure, for God will judge the adulterer and all the sexually immoral.

**Somewhere over the rainbow we discover that sexual sin offers a promise it cannot deliver.**

### **1 Corinthians 6:13**

The body is not to be used for sexual immorality, but to serve the Lord; and the Lord provides for the body.

### **2 Samuel 13:14-15**

But Amnon wouldn't listen to her, and since he was stronger than she was, he raped her. 15 Then suddenly Amnon's love turned to hate, and he hated her even more than he had loved her.

**Somewhere over the rainbow we discover that sexual sin is a form of idolatry.**

### **Romans 1:25**

They traded the truth about God for a lie. So they worshiped and served the things God created instead of the Creator himself, who is worthy of eternal praise! Amen. 26 That is why God abandoned them to their shameful desires. Even the women turned against the natural way to have sex and instead indulged in sex with each other. 27 And the men, instead of having normal sexual relations with women, burned with lust for each other. Men did shameful things with other men, and as a result of this sin, they suffered within themselves the penalty they deserved.

### **John 3:7**

"So don't be surprised when I say, 'You must be born again.'"

### **1 Corinthians 14:33**

For God is not a God of confusion but of peace.

## **How to Get Over the Hijacked Rainbow:**

### **1. Run from it.**

### **1 Corinthians 6:18**

Run from sexual sin! No other sin so clearly affects the body as this one does. For sexual immorality is a sin against your own body.

## **2. Be faithful in marriage.**

### **1 Corinthians 7:2**

But because there is so much sexual immorality, each man should have his own wife, and each woman should have her own husband.

## **3. Get intentional about self-control.**

### **1 Thessalonians 3:4-5**

God's will is for you to be holy, so stay away from all sexual sin. 4 Then each of you will control his own body and live in holiness and honor - 5 not in lustful passion like the pagans who do not know God and his ways.

## **Somewhere over the rainbow we discover Christ followers have a job to do!**

### **1 Corinthians 6:9-11**

Do you not know that the wicked will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived: Neither the sexually immoral nor idolaters nor adulterers nor male prostitutes nor homosexual offenders 10 nor thieves nor the greedy nor drunkards nor slanderers nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God. 11 And that is what some of you were. But you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God.

### **Jude 22-23**

Be merciful to those who doubt; 23 snatch others from the fire and save them; to others show mercy, mixed with fear - hating even the clothing stained by corrupted flesh.

### **Romans 2:4**

Or do you show contempt for the riches of his kindness, tolerance and patience, not realizing that God's kindness leads you toward repentance?