Unplugging Pornography: Equipping Teachers Fight the New Drug, and Helping Students Escape the Trap and Stay Pure

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Abstract: Pornography is overwhelmingly prevalent today. It has become the pervasive cancer of our society, sweeping across the world and infecting individuals of any age, gender or race. It is relentlessly trying to invade homes, workplaces, churches and schools nevertheless, and our Christian/Adventist schools make no exception. But there is good news in the battle against pornography. Many dedicated people are addressing the problem and using the research and resources available to fight the new drug. As a Christian psychologist I am joining forces with all these dedicated people to raise awareness against the devastating effects of pornography and equip parents, teachers, students, and young people in general fight the new drug and not engage in this risky behavior. Research directed at risky behaviors in general and pornography in particular indicates the crucial role families and schools play in preventing, educating and reducing such risky behaviors and addictions. Biblical and faith based concepts will be integrated into this discussion. Specific suggestions and ideas for preventing and fighting pornography addiction in the school setting will be provided.

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