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Does watching porn = cheating?

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"My girlfriend doesn't let me watch porn because she says it's cheating."

A couple of weeks ago I posted a blog about women who can't orgasm [3], and in that was a bit about men who are shamed by their wives for watching porn. I have to admit I was a little skeptical, even as I was writing it, that these women are really out there. Just like the girls who refuse to put "those things," (aka dicks) in their mouths, women who freak out when their man watches porn are like alien beings to me - I'm pretty sure they're real, but haven't encountered one in real life, so I still doubt their existence. Unlike in the X-Files, I don't want to believe.

My contact with these bizarre creatures was solidified last night when I heard not one, but two stories about women who feel that if their man watches porn it is CHEATING. Once I realized my bubble is not as impenetrable as I thought, I decided to reasearch this phenomenon further. In doing so, I opened pandora's (dirty, naughty little) box, and found that a
significant number of divorces stem from the husband viewing pornography.

I also found this article [4]in the (cough) Catholic News Agency, where the Director of the Center for Research on Marriage and Religion (more coughing) conducted a survey. Their completely unbiased findings included:

Married men involved in pornography report feeling less satisfied with their marital relations and less emotionally attached to their wives. (The same wives who put restrictions on what they can masturbate to?)

Pornography use more than triples the rate of marital infidelity. 56 percent of divorces involved one party having an ?obsessive interest? in pornographic websites. (according to which party?)

A reported 70 percent of youth aged 15-17 have come across pornography accidentally while online. (But don't worry. . .)

While adolescents initially experience shame, embarrassment and disgust at pornography, these feelings recede with repeated exposure. (Thank god).

Pornography encourages greater sexual permissiveness, leading to a greater risk of out-of-wedlock births and sexually transmitted diseases. (I think they're confusing this with abstinence).

All joking aside, the real question is whether viewing pornography should be considered cheating. Merriam-Webster defines adultery as ?voluntary sexual intercourse between a married man and someone other than his wife or between a married woman and someone other than her husband.? Aside from what this limited definition means for polyamory, it is a pretty obvious win for porn watchers. While a lot of you little dirties like to ***pretend***
you're fucking Jenna Jameson, the reality is that it's all in your imagination, and therefore you're not cheating on anyone. But you knew that.

It's the wives/girlfriends that seem to need a better understanding of porn* and its purpose.
The point of porn is to give men the visual stimulation they enjoy to help them get off.
That's IT. It isn't about what their wives should be doing in bed, or how perky and fake their wives tits should be. It's not about viewing women as objects. It may be about viewing THOSE women as objects, but the ultimate goal is to have an imaginary girl to shoot their wad all over.

Women, instead of being threatened by this, why not embrace it and use it to your benefit? I assure you, "Honey, let's watch some porn tonight and rub each other off" will make you one of the hottest women your husband could ask for, because you're real and you will fuck him, and you are a dirty whore who wants his load all over your (insert husband's favorite body part here). He knows you're not ***really***
a whore, but he's willing to pretend with you, and he will still love and respect you in the morning, I promise.

The irony is, even if you are the dirtiest little slut your husband could ask for, he'll ***still***
watch porn, because men also like ***variety.***
He did it before you, he'll do it after you, and he'll do it while he's with you (whether you know about it or not). Porn is a healthy expression of a single person's/ couples sex life, so please save the guilt and shame for church and GET OVER IT.

*Edit: I'm talking about a healthy porn-viewing ~~e~~gimen, not a porn addiction. If their real-life sex parnter is being neglected, it's time to trade boxes!

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