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*David and Bathsheba*, by Paolo Veronese, sixteenth century. In the wake of history's most famous adultery, David's plaintive acknowledgment in Psalm 51 that against God and God only had he sinned would not be understood by many professing Christians in our time. Anyone honestly searching the Scriptures for an answer to the question, What is sexually permissible? will be rewarded by a clear and straightforward answer that can be stated, "No sexual relationship is permitted except that between one husband and one wife within the bonds of matrimony." Many efforts are being made in Western civilization to "amend" this law. Even within the church, heterosexual behavior outside marriage and homosexual behavior are not only often tolerated but sometimes treated as a cause célèbre. The consumption of intellectual and moral carrion by a culture in decay might be expected; that it is being served up by the church is one of the indicia of an advanced stage of decomposition.