

"I have brought hurt and a reproach to my family," Duggar says of wife Anna and kids Marcus, Michael, Mackynzie (inset, from left) and Meredith (not pictured).



JOSH DUGGAR

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'HYPOCRITE'

For shame! The ultrareligious former *19 Kids and Counting* star cops to marital infidelity and an addiction to porn **BY JAMIE BLYNN**

Josh Duggar has more sins to repent. Three months after he confessed to molesting four of his sisters and another underage girl as a teen, the former *19 Kids and Counting* star was exposed as an adulterer by hackers. The devout Christian, wed to wife Anna for nearly seven years, was one of 37 million subscribers to cheating site AshleyMadison.com whose information was revealed in an August 18 leak. A onetime family-values lobbyist, Duggar confirmed his philandering — along with a porn addiction — via their website August 20, lamenting, “I have been the biggest hypocrite ever.”

He certainly didn't practice what he preached. Since 2008, Josh, 27, and his ultraconservative, Tontitown, Arkansas-based clan traded on their high morals, earning their TLC reality series up to 3 million viewers per week. The dad of Mackynzie, 5, Michael, 4, Marcus, 2, and Meredith, 1 month, bragged

about refraining from kissing his bride, now 27, until their wedding day and counseled his siblings to resist temptation during courtship by limiting contact to side-hugs and bringing chaperones on dates. As a lobbyist for the Washington, D.C.-based Family Research Council, he branded contraception, same-sex marriage, pornography and sex education morally corrupt. (The FRC compared one California textbook to *Playboy*.) “While espousing faith and family values,” he wrote August 20, “I became unfaithful to my wife. I am so ashamed.”

DOUBLE LIFE

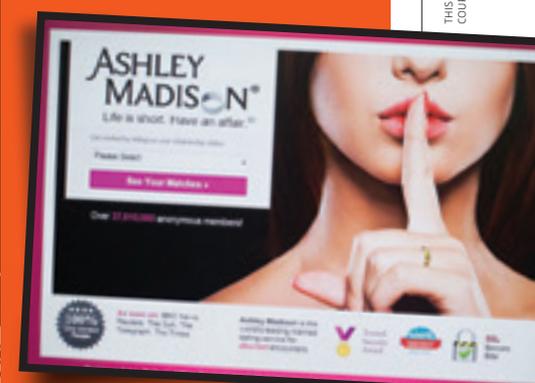
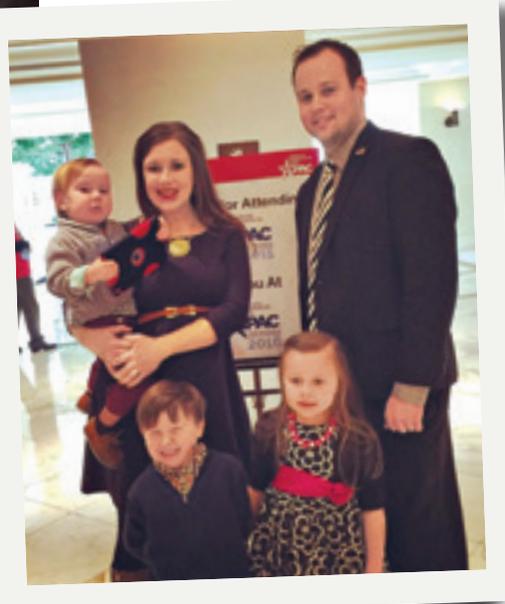
Masquerading as Joe Smithson, Duggar shelled out nearly \$1,000 over two and a half years on AshleyMadison.com (tagline: “Life is short. Have an affair”). Using a credit card linked to his grandmother's home in Fayetteville, Arkansas, he forked over an extra \$250 for a money-back guarantee he'd get lucky. His selected turn-ons: a “professional/well-groomed” woman interested in “extended foreplay/teasing, bubble bath for 2.”

With the same alias and a fake photo, he allegedly friended strippers on Facebook and trolled for sex on dating site OKCupid. Sometimes, however, he just wanted to watch. “I have secretly over the last several years been viewing pornography on the internet,” he wrote, then deleted August 20. “This became a secret addiction.”

DIVORCE IS AN OPTION

Despite her brother Daniel Keller's August 23 Facebook plea to “get that pig out of our family,” Anna may stand by her man as she did in May,

when his molestation confession led to his resignation from the FRC and the cancellation of *19 Kids*. At the time, she applauded her husband for humbling himself “before God” and called him a “man who knows how to be a gentleman and treat a girl right.” If she decides to dump Duggar, the decision will not be a hasty one. When the pair exchanged vows in 2008, they likely agreed to a “covenant union” that allows divorce only after couples receive extensive counseling and live apart for two and a half years. Among the just causes for a separation: a felony conviction and sexual abuse. And adultery. **US**



HACK AFTERMATH

As a \$500,000 reward is offered by Ashley Madison's Canadian parent company for identifying the hackers (they were motivated by the site's failure to delete client information), the damage spreads.

- Police are investigating two possibly leak-related suicides, including San Antonio police captain Michael Gorhum's.
- Nicole Polizzi's husband Jionni LaValle and *Real Housewife* Kristen Taekman's spouse, Josh, have been linked to the site (Josh denies a connection).
- Two law firms filed a \$572 million class action suit against the company August 20 on behalf of hacked users.

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