

God and the Gay & Lesbian Lifestyle

What Does the Bible Say?

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Too often the truth of the Word of God regarding this subject is misunderstood or perverted just to prove a point. However, God is very clear regarding this subject and has given us direction and instructions on how to deal with this or any other of the many controversial subjects being debated in today's world.

Scripture Reference:

"For when we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly... But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us" [Rom:5:6,8]

A Controversial Subject:

The subject of homosexuality whether discussed from a 'secular' point of view ' or 'religious' point of view is decidedly controversial with differences of opinion from BOTH sides.

Fortunately we have clear understanding what God Himself thinks of it because He has given us His Final Word on the subject - in His Word (The Bible).

Naturally, in order to accept this as His Word, one must first *agree* that that God does exist, and then agree that the Bible is His Word to mankind. Not everyone will agree to this - however it is the only way we can discuss the subject from a Biblical perspective.

However, let us agree (if just for the sake of discussion) that God does exist, and that the Bible is His word.

Two Important Disclaimers:

Before I comment on any further on this subject however I must make two things emphatically clear:

1. I personally am not homophobic.
I do not hate, dislike or have anything against homosexuals. To the contrary - it is my desire to see everyone living a life of joy and peace no matter what their present lifestyle may be.
2. GOD does not hate homosexuals.
Jesus DIED for them just as much as He died for you and I - and He loves them unconditionally.

However, God hates sin!

Notice that it is the sin God hates, NOT the sinner. "But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us" [Rom:5:8]

That being said - The First thing we can see from the Bible is that it was prophesied (predicted) that in the days prior to the return of Jesus that there would be many people who run from the truth of the Bible and instead believe many false beliefs regarding a number of subjects:

"Now the Spirit (of God) speaks clearly, that in the last days some shall depart from the faith (of that which is taught in the Bible), giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils..." [1 Timothy 4:1]

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Notice that there will be many things taught (in and out of the church) that will be in direct contradiction to the Word of God - and the Bible calls them "doctrines of demons".

Two of those false doctrines being taught today are:

1. God created homosexuals "as they are"
 2. He (God) has no problem with homosexuality.
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Let us deal with each of these individually:

If according to the thoughts of some, God did indeed create Homosexuals "as they are" (with a desire for others of the same sex) - this must also mean that there would be OTHER species with the same tendency.

Yet, nowhere on the entire earth is there any other species other than man who exhibits this tendency. And with good reason, if this were truly the case it would not be long before the species vanished for lack of reproduction that can only be done thru the mating of a male with a female of the species.

Secondly, God has said clearly in His word that homosexuality is not just sinful - but it is an abomination. [Leviticus:20:13] "If a man also lie with mankind, as he lieth with a woman, both of them have committed an abomination: they shall surely be put to death; their blood shall be upon them."

In the New Testament, the Apostle Jude prophesied (by the Spirit of God) - and predicted certain things that will happen in the Church itself.

".... I felt forced to write you because some men have come in secretly. I am begging you to fight for the faith, which God passed on to the holy people once for all time. These men don't want God. Long ago it was written that they would be condemned. They are turning away from the gracious love of our God to orgies and unclean sexual activity, rejecting Jesus Christ, our only Lord and Master. [Jude:1:4 Message Bible]

Notice that these men reject the truth of the Lord Jesus Christ (as taught in the Bible) and choose instead sexual orgies and unclean sexual activity.)

The Apostle Paul's letter to the church at Ephesus said much the same about these individuals:

"When they lost all feeling of shame, they gave themselves over to sensuality, so that they could try every kind of unclean sex, wanting more and more of such things. [Ephseians:4:19 Simple English Bible]

And exactly what does the Bible (God's infallible word) say about the result will be for these individuals?

"However, people who are cowards, unbelievers, perverts, murderers, sexual sinners, those who follow occult practices, idol-worshippers, and all liars will be in the lake which burns with fire and sulfur. This is the second death." [Revelation 21:8]

The truth of the matter is this, no matter what one may choose to believe, it does not change the truth from being truth - nor does it cancel it out.

Just because one chooses not to believe in the existence of gravity does not cause gravity to cease to exist. And, the same thing applies to the truth of God's word on the subject of homosexuality as taught in the Bible.

God hates homosexuality - but not the homosexual!

According to the Bible (God's Word) - the consequences for homosexual activity (sexual sin) is the SAME for any other sin - separation from God for all eternity to those who refuse to admit that they are violating the expressed will of God.

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In this society of the 21st century where men have embraced the idea of tolerance and political correctness instead of the Word of God - it is not surprising to see that people have trouble believing the Bible - and that there are indeed things that God has condemned.

Yet, there is hope for all!

And that hope is realizing that Jesus died for the homosexual too!

Despite any *personal* feeling we may have on the subject - God loves them - and has provided a way out for them - regardless of their present lifestyle.

As Jesus told us in the Gospel of John:

“I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.” [John:14:6]

Acceptance of Jesus Christ thru repentance and turning away from homosexuality is the answer for the homosexual.

As for us:

Let us love them - not condemning them but rather accepting them with an open heart. Let us hate the sin - being careful NOT to hate the sinner.

Remember that because of the finished work of Jesus Christ on the cross - God does not condemn the homosexual - just the sin.

“To wit, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them; and hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation.” [2Corinthians :5:19]

Therefore, let us treat them, and all men in the same way that God does.

“Love must be sincere. Hate evil. Hold onto good.” [Romans 12:9]

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