

Homosexuality

1. Homosexual = Gr. homo (the same) and sexual; Lesbian = the city of Lesbos, c. 600 B.C.; Sodomy = Sodom in Genesis 18-19.
2. We are pressured in our culture to accept homosexuality. It is accepted as a proper relationship in our society (TV/Movies, books, well-known celebrities, national leaders, athletes, state approved marriages) and in some religions (some Episcopalian, United Methodist, Lutheran, etc.).
3. God created one man for one woman: monogamous and heterosexual (Gen. 2:18-24; Mt. 19:4-6; 1 Cor. 7:1-2).
4. Homosexuality is condemned by God...

In the OT (Gen. 19:5-7; Lev. 18:22; 20:13; Judg. 19:22; 1 K. 22:46)

In the NT (Rom. 1:26-27; 1 Cor. 6:9-10; 1 Tim. 1:10)

5. Homosexuality is a sin. We must not compromise. We cannot approve it. Sin is sin!

Redefining what we call it does not change homosexuality in God's eyes (alternative lifestyle, different sexual orientation, loving relationship, etc.).

Trying to twist the above mentioned Bible passages does not change it (saying that nonconsensual, homosexual rape is what is condemned, or perverted homosexuality; or a heterosexual attempting to be a homosexual is what is condemned).

Using human reason to justify it does not change it (appeal to science, genetics [a so-called "gay gene"], culture, civil rights, etc.).

6. Homosexuality is a choice (Eccl. 7:29). Homosexuals can change (1 Cor. 6:9-11). We must not show hatred toward homosexuals: overcome evil with good (Rom. 12:21). We must keep ourselves sexually pure: flee fornication (1 Cor. 6:18).