

A Christian Review of Homosexuality

1. Homosexuality is not genetic. There is no scientific evidence to support this belief.
2. The traditional Christian position, supported throughout the Bible, has been that homosexuality is a grave sin and is never justified. It is not "just another kind of love."
3. Homosexual behavior is much higher-risk than heterosexual behavior. Social science and health care research has thoroughly documented the association of homosexuality with unsafe physical acts, more substance abuse, more mental health problems, high promiscuity and even higher domestic violence.
4. Laws protecting homosexuals as a minority class are based on a false assumption. No one is forever and unchangeably a homosexual, bisexual, or "transgendered" person.
5. There is overwhelming evidence that homosexual feelings and behavior can change. Celebrities, prison inmates and ex-homosexuals show that it can be left behind.
6. As part of "tolerance" no one should be asked to accept changeable behavior that violates one's core ideals. No one's Christian beliefs on this or any other part of God's truth should be erroneously labeled "hate."
7. As Christians, we should in humility pray for those involved in any sin that blinds them to the truth, and treat them with civility without compromising our own beliefs and loyalty to Jesus Christ.

"Behold, I stand at the door and knock...."

Revelation 3:20

Core Bible Passages That Relate to Homosexuality

- Genesis 19 (whole chapter)
- Leviticus 18 and 20
- Romans 1:18-32
- 1 Corinthians 6: 9-11
- 1 Thessalonians 4: 3-8
- 2 Peter 2
- Jude 7-8
- Revelation 22:15

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Scriptures Related to Homosexuality

Genesis 13:13; 18:20; 19:4-5

Now the men of Sodom were wicked exceedingly and sinners against the LORD...And the LORD said, "The outcry of Sodom and Gomorrah is indeed great, and their sin is exceedingly grave"... Before they lay down, the men of the city, the men of Sodom, surrounded the house, both young and old, all the people from every quarter; and they called to Lot and said to him, "Where are the men who came to you tonight? Bring them out to us *that we may have [homosexual] relations with them.*" (Emphasis added)

Leviticus 18:22

You [males] shall not lie with a male as one lies with a female; it is an abomination.

Leviticus 20:13

If there is a man who lies with a male as those who lie with a woman, both of them have committed a detestable act; they shall surely be put to death. Their bloodguiltiness is upon them.

Romans 1:26-27

For this reason God gave them over to degrading passions; for their *women exchanged the natural function for that which is unnatural, and in the same way also the men abandoned the natural function of the woman and burned in their desire toward one another, men with men committing indecent acts* and receiving in their own persons the due penalty of their error. (Emphasis added)

1 Corinthians 6:9-11

Or do you not know that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived; neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor *homosexuals*, nor thieves, nor the covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers, shall inherit the kingdom of God. And such were some of you; but you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, and in the Spirit of our God. (Emphasis added; also underscores possibility of leaving homosexuality – “such were some of you”)

1 Timothy 1:8-10

But we know that the Law is good, if one uses it lawfully, realizing the fact that law is not made for a righteous man, but for those who are lawless and rebellious, for the ungodly and sinners, for the unholy and profane, for those who kill their fathers or mothers, for murderers and immoral men and *homosexuals* and kidnappers and liars and perjurers, and whatever else is contrary to sound teaching. (Emphasis added)