

Homosexuality

God loves us all. He loves us enough to tell us in His word what is right in His eyes and what is sin. Grace Family tries to have this same attitude. We strive to love everyone, because everyone is loved by God. In trying to love people with God's heart, we are also willing to tell them if something in their life is sinful or not God's best for them. We believe Scripture teaches that sex was designed to only be experienced between a man and a woman within the holy covenant of marriage. Anything outside of this model (pornography, adultery, fornication and homosexuality) are described as sinful by Scripture.

We are all born with sinful desires. Some may have a predisposition to homosexuality, just as others might have more of a desire towards alcoholism, violence, etc. The issue is not what we are drawn to or tempted by. It is whether or not we trust God's word to reveal His desires for us. The question is not what we struggle with, it is whether or not we are trusting in Jesus to save us and direct our lives. The most important thing is what we believe about Jesus. Have we received His grace and surrendered our lives to Him? God is more concerned with our hearts than our behavior. Once He has our hearts, He is the one who changes us and heals anything that is not in line with His desires for our lives.

We believe that God has an amazing plan for you. *"And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him, who have been called according to His purpose"* (Romans 8:28).

Additional Helpful Scriptures:

- James 4:12
- Hebrews 13:1-5
- John 8:7-11
- Romans 1:26-28
- Galatians 5:14
- Jude 1:5-8

Community Resources:

- New Hearts Outreach – New Hearts Outreach is a confidential healing and discipleship ministry fostering sexual and relational wholeness in people's lives through the hope of Jesus Christ. newheartsoutreach.org
- GFC Christian Counselors List – Provided by Pastor

Grace Groups:

Freedom – Identify obstacles in your life and get out of ruts that keep you from changing.

Men/ Women – gfconline.com/freedom