

Ethics & Morals
Homosexuality
(Ro 1:26-27)

INTRODUCTION

1. Good Evening
 - a. It is great seeing each of you here once again.
2. Series of lessons on immoral and unethical practices today.
 - a. We have looked at...
 - i. Social Drinking
 - ii. Abortion
 - iii. Gambling
 - iv. Euthanasia
 - b. Tonight we look at homosexuality.

I. Alarming Changes In "Man's" Attitude

- A. The world has become "acceptant" of homosexuality
 1. Political leaders fighting "for" same-sex marriage
 - i. Passing "hate crime" laws
 - ii. Oklahoma had one person vote "no" for the "gay parade"
 2. Entertainment as made homosexuality "normal"
 - i. Find a show w/o a homosexual
 3. "Religion" has become sympathetic & thus acceptant
 - i. Notice all the different "religions" out showing their acceptance at the gay parade
 4. People have been bombarded & become uneducated on this subject & the Bible
 - i. "As a whole the Bible does not teach against homosexuality. The old testament might, but the new testament sets you free to be you, whatever you are. Of course it is recommended that you have an attitude of gratitude for your existence. and that you have healthy concerns for yourself and your neighbors. It isn't required. Jesus doesn't really care about what people think about anything or anyone. Thinking is a brain activity. He is more interested in one's heart activity. How one relates to another person through Love for his or her brother or sister." (Read more: Does the Bible teach against Homosexuality or not; yes or no? So what does Jesus think about those who approve of Homosexuality? | Answerbag http://www.answerbag.com/q_view/1512239#ixzz0u219hd58)
- B. The world is showing no signs of slowing down
 1. City-Data survey ask the question "Can you be GAY and GOD-FEARING at the same time?"
 - i. 52.90% said yes (website has been removed)

2. Helena, Montana in July of 2010 was deciding whether or not to accept the sex-ed proposal that was given the school district.
 - i. Kindergartners w/o parental consent would learn the "scientific" name for all genitalia.
 - ii. 1st graders would learn homosexuality is healthy & normal
 - iii. 5th graders would learn about intercourse
 - a. Oral, vaginal, & anal
 - iv. 9th grade & up would be taught "erotic art"
 - a. Pornography
 - v. Legislation votes this week (Feb 13, 2011) on a bill that will allow parents to remove their kids from sex-ed day.
3. We are just at the top of the iceberg here...it is only getting worse
 - i. The homosexual agenda is vocal & loud...& winning

II. Arguments For Homosexuality...Biblical Arguments Against

- A. God only condemns Sodom's abuse, attempted rape, not the practice (**Gn 19**)
 1. Why was Sodom and the surrounding cities destroyed?
 - i. **Gn 13:13** "But the men of Sodom were **exceedingly wicked and sinful against the Lord.**"
 - ii. **Ek 16:49-50** "Look, this was the iniquity of your sister Sodom: She and her daughter had pride, fullness of food, and abundance of idleness; neither did she strengthen the hand of the poor and needy. 50 And they were haughty and committed **abomination** before Me; therefore I took them away as I saw fit."
 - iii. **Jd 7** "as Sodom and Gomorrah, and the cities around them in a similar manner to these, having given themselves over to **sexual immorality** and gone **after strange flesh**, are set forth as an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire."
 - a. Homosexuality was part of the abomination
 2. There were 2 main reasons for Sodom's downfall
 - i. Rape
 - ii. Homosexuality
- B. The Levitical law only condemned prostitution (**Lv 18:22; 20:13**)
 1. This Levitical law was not just against the pagan ordinances.
 - i. **Lv 18:3** "According to the **doings of the land** of Egypt, where you dwelt, **you shall not do**; and according to the **doings of the land** of Canaan, where I am bringing you, **you shall not do; nor shall you walk in their ordinances.**"
 2. The law also forbid adultery, incest, bestiality
 - i. Should we say that these too are just pagan ordinances?
- C. Christ never condemned homosexuality
 1. This is absolutely ridiculous
 - i. **Mt 19:4-5** "And He answered and said to them, "Have you not read that He who made them at the beginning 'made them **male and female,**' 5 and said, 'For this reason **a man** shall leave his father and mother and be **joined to his wife**, and the two shall become one flesh'?"

- D. Paul's argument was against perverted homosexuals not those "born" homosexual
 - 1. There is no such thing as "being born this way."
 - i. There is zero scientific evidence for this.
 - ii. There is no gay gene (<http://narth.com/2010/09/is-there-a-gay-gene/>)
 - 2. Notice the Bible
 - i. **I Co 6:9-10** is this the abuse or act that is condemned?
 - a. Abuse of homosexuality or Act
 - b. Abuse of stealing or Act
 - c. Abuse of covetousness or Act
 - d. Abuse of drunkenness or Act
 - e. Abuse of reviling or Act
 - f. Abuse of extortion or Act
 - ii. **I Ti 1:10** is the act of "not" the abuse of
 - a. Fornicators, sodomites, stealing, liars, perjurers...
- E. Xian love demands we are not judgmental but accepting
 - 1. **Mt 7:1-5** "Judge not, that you be not judged. 2 For with what judgment **you judge**, you will be judged; and with the **measure you use**, it will be measured back to you. 3 And why do you look at the speck in your brother's eye, but do not consider the plank in your own eye? 4 Or how can you say to your brother, 'Let me remove the speck from your eye'; and look, a plank is in your own eye? 5 Hypocrite! First remove the plank from your own eye, and then **you will see clearly to remove the speck from your brother's eye.**"
 - i. It isn't that we can't judge or shouldn't judge. We are to judge sin because God has already judged it.
 - ii. Notice **Mt 7:15-16** how can we say someone is a "false teacher" w/o judging?
- F. Time/Culture change and thus so should the church
 - 1. There is no doubt that culture changes but that doesn't mean anything compared to the "law of Christ."
 - i. This law is from the cross to the second coming.
 - ii. Sin doesn't change because of time/culture
 - iii. What was sin in the early church is sin now

CONCLUSION

- 1. Dr. Daniel Capron, a practicing psychiatrist, says, "Homosexuality by definition is not healthy and wholesome. The homosexual person, at best, will be unhappier and more unfulfilled than the sexually normal person" (National Association for Research and Therapy of Homosexuality)
 - a. It's no wonder, it is not of God's creation.
 - i. **Mt 19:4-5; Ro 1:26-27**
- 2. Invitation