

Homosexuals Believe A Lie

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News reports lately are filled with angry gay men and women demonstrating against the passage of proposition 8, which forbids gay marriages. Gays claim that this is a civil rights issue. It isn't: it is a moral issue. And because it is a moral issue this is NOT a political writing, but a call for Christians to stand up for God ordained, Biblically established moral requirements for mankind. This is the first in a 3 part series on the subject.

Word: "God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie."

Wisdom: In 1973 (the same year the Supreme Court legalized abortion-pure coincidence?) the American Psychiatric Association determined that Homosexuality would no longer be considered a mental disorder. Within 10 years, AIDS would decimate the homosexual community, and within 31 years, gay marriage would be argued before the courts of the land. Many T-V stars have "come out of the closet", and it seems that most movie and T-V shows have at least one gay character (no longer effeminate, off-beat or funny, but educated, kind, thoughtful, and usually an exemplary citizen). Gay counselors at high schools, Gay governors, Gay assemblymen, Gay ministers: what is going on in America? Were we wrong outlawing sodomy since America's foundation? Has the church been wrong all along in preaching against homosexuality? This is an important timely issue which affects us all. Let's make some observations about homosexuality looking at it from the perspective of God's written Word.

Alfred Kinsey, considered the "world's greatest authority" on sex, published his books 50 years ago, touting that homosexuality was not perversion, and that 10% of the population is gay (which was supposed to argue that since that many people are doing it, it must not be wrong!). More recent (and more scientific) studies have shown that only about 1% of the population is gay! Kinsey lied and deceived many people who tragically believed his lie. II Thess. 2:10:10-12 says that it is possible to "believe a lie and be damned." I've discovered other lies about homosexuality that many are believing. Let's examine those lies.

Lie #1: Homosexuality is something you are born with. It is who and what you are. It is your sexual identity. It is not a choice.

Any Christian counselor or deliverance minister (such as I) knows that a high percentage of homosexuals were either sexually molested or raped. Others had either physically absent or emotionally distant fathers, or strikingly unhappy childhoods. They looked for love in all the wrong places. Hollywood told them, "You're gay". Professors told them, "You're gay". A demon said, "Amen!" And, they believed a lie. Did you know that there is not one single homosexual in America? Not one! There are only hurting young men and women, who need our help, prayers, and compassion.

I led Gary to the Lord when he was in high school. He became a part of my youth group, later graduating from LIFE Bible College in Los Angeles and marrying a girl he met there. They had a son together. He was a principal of a Christian school for awhile. Gary remained my best friend for years, even living with us for a time. Then, he started getting "higher education" in a state college. There he apparently learned the "modern truth" about homosexuality, as an attitude change began. While I was pastoring a church in the LA area, he visited me and admitted that he

was going to gay bars, trying to "understand" and "learn" about homosexuality. He later met "Bill" and left his wife and son and "married" him. Unfortunately, his new "husband" (or wife, whichever) neglected to inform Gary that he had AIDs. Tragically, just a few years later, my son in the faith, Gary, died of AIDs. I recently ran across a letter Gary had written me, trying to explain and defend his homosexuality. He wrote that it "isn't a choice-it is something you are born with, like being born black." This is a favorite argument of homosexuals.

New Jersey Governor James McGreevey a few years ago came out of the closet, admitting a homosexual affair. In his defense, he said that he had "struggled with my identity" most of his life. He once admitted that "in high school, there were feelings that I was different". Modern psychologists and social scientists argue that these "feelings" represent sexual identity and that it is wrong for persons to sublimate them and not "admit what they are" and give vent to them. I find this argument utterly absurd. We expect a husband to not yield to feelings that he would like to have sex with the pretty neighbor next door. If a sexual molester explained, "I couldn't help myself. I have always had feelings for little girls", a jury would turn an icy-cold shoulder to him and give him 15 years in prison. But, if Christians speak out against homosexual "rights", we're called homophobic (having an irrational fear and hatred of gays). I neither fear nor hate gays. But, I hate homosexuality, because God hates homosexuality. To have "feelings" for another man or to think it might be enjoyable to be intimate with him does not prove that that is one's identity!

I enjoy the scent of certain types of tobacco. That doesn't make me a smoker. If someone likes the taste of alcoholic beverages, that doesn't make him an alcoholic. If you feel cold, that doesn't make you an Eskimo! The archetypical bigot, Archie bunker, in an early episode of "All in the family" asked Sammy Davis Jr., "I know you couldn't help being black, but what made you decide to become a Jew?" We all laughed. Yes, you can't help the color of your skin, but what religion you join is 100% a choice. Certain men may have confused "feelings" about another man, but sodomizing him is definitely a choice!! We expect drug addicts to resist their urges. We expect thieves to resist their "feelings". Yet, America dismisses homosexual urges. Who is the homosexual's best friend and champion? Hollywood-the very same industry that teaches our youth to swear, to fornicate and to be violent, teaches them to "accept their gayness". Doesn't that tell you something?

"Feelings" or the desire for sex with the same sex originate from no different source than the desire for extramarital sex with the opposite sex. All evil sexual desires, like other evil desires such as to kill, steal, or swear emanate from the fallen human nature. So, even if a homosexual was born with these desires, such tendencies would only prove the truth that man is born a sinner, with a sinful nature. (Study Romans 3:10-23, 5:12-21, 6:13-23). To yield to evil desire is sin. We are commanded to: "Neither yield your members as instruments of unrighteousness to sin: but yield yourselves to God . . . Don't you know, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin which leads to death, or of obedience leading to righteousness." (Rom. 6:13, 16). A sexually active homosexual has yielded himself to those desires and has become its servant: a "servant to uncleanness and to iniquity" (6:19). He has made his choices.

You can develop a taste for anything. Who likes the taste of a cigarette the first time he smokes? Few like the taste of beer at first. But, this is the power of sin: you experiment with desire, you yield-then you develop a habit or bondage to it. "But, God made me this way!" it's complained. James 1:13-17 says, "Let no man say when he is tempted, I am tempted of God . . . But every man

is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust (evil desire), and enticed. Then when lust has conceived, it brings forth sin: and sin, when it finished, brings forth death. Do not err, my beloved brethren. Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father". Homosexual sex is lust and it is sin and its end result will be death (if not by AIDS) finally in Hell. To claim to be "born gay" is to "err" and is truly not a "perfect gift" from a loving heavenly Father.

You, like me, are likely appalled by seeing so called "Christians" marching with signs that say, "God hates fags!" etc. God loves the sinner, but hates the sin. We should do the same. I trust these timely writings will assist you as you communicate with others who are perhaps confused about this issue. Let there be no mistake: there is no confusion in the Word about it. Let's study the Word for a few days together to see what it has to say about the sin of homosexuality.

Prayer: "Lord, give me the same compassion and love for gays that you have for them. Save high profile gays who can come out publically with a strong testimony for Christ to share His power to save and deliver. Show me how to treat and how to pray for these hurting, lost souls."

Confession: "Paul was a murderer, the "chiefest of sinners," and a great persecutor of the church. You saved him and made him a powerful preacher of the gospel. You can and will do the same for homosexuals!"

Homosexuality is Not Natural

Romans 1:27

Word: "Men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust one toward another; men with men working that which is shameful, and receiving in themselves the repayment of their error which was fitting." (Romans 1:27)

Wisdom:

Lie #2: Homosexuality is natural: Gays want to be viewed as normal and have "equal rights" (adopting children, being married, etc.) and totally accepted among peers as living a completely "natural" lifestyle. But, the Bible calls homosexuality "unnatural" in Romans 1:27: The men, leaving the natural use of the woman . . .working that which is shameful, and receiving in themselves that repayment of their error which was fitting."

Heterosexuality is "natural" and God's order of things. Homosexuality is unnatural and "shameful" and gays are in "error". The above text also says homosexuals "receive in themselves" a "repayment of their error". What is that "repayment"? The penalty homosexuals pay is five-fold:

1) Deception: "Because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved . . . For this cause God shall send them strong delusion that they should believe a lie." (II Thess. 2:10, 11). American society has rejected the truth of the gospel and refuses to be "saved" or to let the clear teaching of the Bible be the basis for morality. This has resulted in God sending the judgment of "strong delusion that they should believe a lie". Thus 48% of Americans voted against proposition 8 which illegalized gay marriage. There is "strong delusion" among many unsaved Americans and most gays that homosexuality is truly right. Many of them erroneously

think that by coming out of the closet, and fighting for their rights, they can win a reputation for being natural or normal.

When Hollywood first started depicting gays in its movies, they were made fun of. We laughed at their homosexuality. Why? Because we find humor in that which is odd, weird, offbeat or unorthodox. When Ronald Reagan was in office, he was asked what he thought about homosexuality.

His answer was that he felt about like the woman at the turn of the 19th century who was asked the same question and answered, "Oh, I suppose it's alright, as long as they don't do it in the streets and frighten the horses!" Even animals have enough sense to not have homosexual sex. A few biologists have reported exceptional cases of animals fiddling around with the same sex as proof that homosexuality is natural. Well, animals killing one another and eating one another is natural too, but that hardly argues for murder and cannibalism among humans! Evolutionists think of us as animals.

Christians know we are created in the image of God, and God holds us to (and we should hold ourselves to) a much higher standard! Gays are blinded as to how they appear to normal people when they parade in the nude, wear outlandish clothes, or even hold hands and walk in the park trying to broadcast their love and commitment to one another, oblivious to the fact that it has just the opposite effect on most heterosexuals and especially among Christians. Why? Because it is "natural": that is, it is in our genetic code to be heterosexuals. A constant barrage of propaganda to the contrary may change some opinions, but spirit-filled, born-again Christians have strong consciences and a strong awareness of morality that will NEVER accept gay behavior as "natural", because our Father in Heaven created us that way.

2) Effeminization of men: Many try to avoid the look, but the limp-wristed, mincing and prancing gay is still often the case. (I believe this behavior can be caused by demon possession!).

3) Masculization of women: They're called a "Butch". They look, dress, walk, and act like a man (I believe this too can be demonic).

4) Unhappiness: They call themselves "gay", but really they are anything but gay! Deliverance evangelists like me, pastors and counselors are familiar with the terrible struggles for fulfillment that homosexuals contend with. Gays think if they ever get equal rights in America, they'll at last be happy. But, they're wrong. No one can violate God's laws and walk contrary to His natural plan for one's life and ever find true happiness and fulfillment. This unhappiness is part of the intrinsic judgment on homo-sex.

5) AIDS: The intestinal tract of a man was created for the expulsion of feces. Unnatural sexual use of this "unclean" area of the body became an endemic breeding ground for one of the most horrible diseases in history- "Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome". It is incurable and is a horrible way to die. It's spread also by sharing narcotics needles or extramarital sex (also sins). But, I believe AIDS is a satanically created disease, conceived through the act of sodomy. In fact, researches have reported that the AIDS epidemic in America can be traced to a male flight attendant who reported having sex with 250 men in one year. 48 of the first AIDS cases admitted having sex with him. God didn't strike gays with thunderbolts from heaven. They brought it on themselves! They erroneously think the AIDS answer is condoms. The answer is salvation, deliverance, and obeying God's laws!

I am not arguing for militancy in our stand against the homosexual movement. But, I do argue that the debate on the subject is already a "done deal" to Christians. Morals are absolutes. Truths are absolutes. The truth is: homosexuality is absolutely wrong. With that understanding and foundation for our faith, let us wage warfare on our knees for God's salvation to come to many in the gay movement.

Prayer: "Lord, save homosexuals. Reveal to them the delusion that they are under. May your truth set them free. Give me faith that my prayers are making a difference in their community."

Confession: "The truth sets homosexuals free. I will be valiant for the truth in my speech and on my knees."

Homosexuality is an abomination To God

Leviticus 20:13

Word: "If a man also lies with a man, as he lies with a woman, both of them have committed an abomination: they shall surely be put to death." Leviticus 20:13.

Wisdom: Lie #3: The Bible doesn't teach against homosexuality, only promiscuous sex. Committed same-sex relationships are appropriate:

Homosexuality is all about sex! (They don't call them Homo SEX uals for the way they comb their hair!) Their identity is centered on their sexuality. And, most gays have sex with many partners. (I believe I read the statistic that the average gay man has sex with 18 partners. Gay bathhouses were frequented by men until AIDS closed them down). Gays may eventually wind up with one same-sex partner and "marry" them. But, even such marriages are still sin.

Gays argue that the sodomy condemned in the Bible was speaking about gay prostitutes, not committed relationships or that David and Jonathan had a homosexual relationship. Ridiculous! The Bible never says one favorable word about homosexual sex. Instead, it condemns it in the strongest terms. Gays were put to death under Mosaic Law. It's glibly admitted, "Yes, and under Mosaic law, people were also put to death for even gathering sticks on the Sabbath. Things have changed." True, the way law-breakers are judged has changed, but some things never change! Long before the Mosaic Law, God showed His "eternal" attitude toward sodomy by destroying Sodom (the term "sodomy" comes from the city Sodom) and Gomorrah. This judgment, according to Jude 8, was because the men of Sodom were "going after strange flesh". The intestinal tract is "strange flesh" indeed!

Imagine for a moment what might be happening on earth today (in light of how far homosexuality has advanced in just 3 decades through the influence of Hollywood, our modern "Sodom and Gomorrah"), had God not destroyed the wicked men in those homosexual communities millennia ago, and you will realize that God's destruction of those cities was not capricious or merciless but rather proof of his loving care of his creation. His judgment on those cities reveals a God who always has our long-term best interests in mind in anything He does, though some might from their finite perspective view it as overly strict. Would mankind have been annihilated long ago by AIDS, had Sodom and Gomorrah's influence continued unstopped?

Observe the consistency throughout the Word in its condemnation of homosexuality in Lev. 20:13, 18:22, Deut. 23:17, Judges 19:22-24, II Kings 23:7, Isa. 3:9, Romans 1:24-28, 1 Cor. 6:9, 1 Tim. 1:9, 10, and Rev. 21:8. Several "Christian" denominations now "bless" so-called "committed" gay relationships and are even ordaining gay ministers and priests. Gay activists think this shows that what the Bible says about the subject is highly debatable. No, it is not! "Be not deceived: neither fornicators . . . Nor effeminate (do you doubt what this means?), nor abusers of themselves with (men) . . . Shall inherit the kingdom of God." (1 Cor. 6:9, 10). Unrepentant homosexuals do not enter heaven! There is no serious debate about what the Bible says on the subject. There are simply those who are deceived and choose not to accept the very clearly revealed truth in the Word and those who choose to believe and accept the finality of God's written Word. Many of the same pastors who would "bless" gay couples would also argue against the inerrancy of the Word or the divinity and resurrection of Christ. Bible believing Christian leaders speak, with little exception, as one voice on the subject. This is the voice of God as well!

We must speak to this subject one more time, tomorrow. Meanwhile, you might write "Homosexuality" on the fly leaf of your Bible or under the "H" in your concordance and jot down the above verses that describe God's attitude toward the sin. Familiarize yourself with them. It is likely that soon you will need to share with a friend or family member how God categorically condemns homosexuality.

Finally, Is the possible financial collapse we are watching coming upon America some "fire from heaven" like that which fell on Sodom and Gomorra for its similar sin? If so, let us pray harder than ever before that God would forgive our land of this great sin.

Prayer: "God, don't rain judgment fire upon America for its great sins. Instead, rain the fires of heavenly revival on our churches that they might be filled with x-homosexuals-now servants of Christ."

Confession: "Revival is coming to our churches. The fire of God is the answer to the spread of homosexuality in America."

God Can Transform Homosexuals

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II Thessalonians 2:11

Word: "If any man is in Christ, he is a new creation. Old things are passed away. Behold, all things are new." II Corinthians 5:17

Wisdom: Lie #4: Homosexuals cannot change their behavior:

When those who used to be gay change, marry, and begin living a normal heterosexual life, gays argue that those who can do this were never truly gay. They must take this defensive viewpoint, because if there is one single homosexual "born gay" who reforms, this would forever disprove the foundational argument to accept homosexuality (that it is something you are born with). But, the fact that homosexuals can change is simple to prove. I personally know a gay man who "reformed", married, had children, and is living a happy, successful heterosexual life. There is a

national organization called "Exodus" (see their website), formed by reformed gay men and women who, through Christ, are seeking to help others discover the way out of their promiscuous and destructive gay lifestyle. They offer many testimonies of transformed lives proving homosexuality is not innate and irrevocable.

Your nature can change! Even if a gay could argue successfully that he was born gay, the Bible would still have this to say to him: "Unless a man is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God." (John 3:3). Through the new birth, Christ's transforming power changes a person's nature. I may be "born" with a bad temper, a desire to hurt people, or an enjoyment of gossip; But, I must be "born again", and allow Christ to transform this "behavior" and change.

Alcoholics Anonymous teaches their members to, "Accept the things I cannot change". Well, what kind of sexual experiences one indulges in can be changed by the power of God. And, whether one's "sinful nature" prefers adultery, fornication or sodomy, if there isn't change, it may cost him his soul: "Because they have no changes, therefore they fear not God." (Ps. 55:19). The fear of God, which is the beginning of wisdom (Prov. 9:10), produces repentance, which brings salvation, resulting in change (II Cor. 7:10). Changed by Christ is what salvation is all about (II Cor. 5:17): In fact, today's verse gives the glorious promise that: "In Christ . . . (we become) a new creation . . . old things (like the bondage to homosexuality) are passed away . . . all things (like our sexual identity) are new." This isn't automatic, but it is a promise of God who cannot lie (Heb. 6:18, Titus 1:2) and if acted upon and believed will surely come to pass. (By the way, this truth holds true for any reading this who themselves have given up on changing their inability to control their temper or their thought life or other weaknesses they have considered inherited and feel hopeless to change. Through Christ, you are a new creation. You can experience all things becoming new. Your future is NEVER limited by your past. Accept it. Believe it. Contend for it! (Jude 3).

Governor McGreevy argued for his homosexuality by claiming he "felt different" in high school, as though our feelings represent our identity and are unchangeable. While we are considering sexual "feelings", I'm reminded of the time we held a crusade in Cheyenne, Wyoming. My wife and I were ministering to a young woman. She wore jeans, hadn't done much with her hair and didn't have a feminine appearance at all. We discovered that she had demons which we cast out. Imagine our delight the next night when she came to church in a dress, with her hair fixed nicely, and joyfully reported, "I feel feminine!" She had experienced the "all things are new" through Christ! Woman is God's last handiwork and His crowning creative masterpiece. She was intended to be lovely, feminine, and to be sexy. Man was created to be manly, to be masculine, and to be so magnetically drawn to a woman's feminine mystique that he'd unhesitatingly brush aside his fellow man's sexuality to pursue a lifelong sexual relationship with his female soul-mate, like a starving man would brush aside a withered lettuce salad to dig into steak and potatoes!

The thief, Satan, has robbed America of this wonderful gift of heterosexual love, by blurring God-given clear-cut lines of sexual identity. Many youth are lured into experimenting in the gay lifestyle because Hollywood is constantly exposing them to the lifestyle with exaggerated images of gay people as artistic, sensitive, intelligent and highly successful people. Many experiment with the lifestyle just to express their rebellion to their parents and society. Thanks to Hollywood, their cause celeb, "It's cool to be gay!" is having the same propaganda success that cigarettes achieved thanks to the Marlboro man. Thank God, eventually our government had the

sense to outlaw the Marlboro man on TV. Pray for the day they will have the sense to likewise outlaw TV's just as deceptive and deadly images of homosexuality trying to appeal to our youth.

Let's pray against the spirit behind this evil stratagem of Satan who wants kill people through AIDS. He also wants to stop the continuance of strong heterosexual families which has been the foundation of our American society since its inception. And, Satan is also hoping to once again bring the judgment of God upon our nation, as he so succeeded with Sodom & Gomorrah! Let's contend in prayer for Satan's failure in this homosexual strategy.

Prayer: "Lord, let the confusion that Hollywood is bringing to America fall just as permanently as the Tower of Babel (which means "confusion") fell. Let the truth Set young people free from the lying gay agenda."

Confession: "Christ makes homosexuals new people. He is making me new too. Old things are passed away. All things in my life can be new!"

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