

FAQ

“Questions about Homosexuality”

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Selected Passages (ESV)

QUESTION:

What does the Bible say about homosexuality?

THE PROBLEM OF SIN (Romans 1:18-32)

1. _____ (vv. 18-20) – God made himself known to humanity.
2. _____ (vv. 21-23) – Although God revealed himself to humanity, man did not want to know God or honor him as God. Instead, they replaced the glory of God with self-manufactured “gods.” In other words, man became his own god. That produced an empty mind and a darkened heart (v. 21b).
3. _____ (vv. 24-27) – The result of self-deification was self-indulgence where man did whatever he pleased and fulfilled every desire, including homosexuality. Because of their sin “God gave them up” which means that he permitted them to go on in their sins and reap the sad consequences. This is the “wrath of God” (v. 18). God revealed his wrath, not by sending fire from heaven, but by abandoning sinful man to the consequences of their sin.
4. _____ (vv. 28-32) – When man began to feel the tragic consequences of his sins, instead of repenting and seeking God, they delved further into sin. He even encouraged others and applauded them when they sinned.

GOD’S SOLUTION TO SIN (Romans 3:21-26)

God offers _____ to all who place faith in Jesus Christ.

CONCLUSIONS BASED UPON ROMANS 1:18-32; 3:21-26

1. Homosexuality is _____ resulting from self-deification just like all other sins (including heterosexual sins).
2. Homosexuality is no more sinful than any other sin – all are _____ to God.
3. God offers _____ and eternal life to all who believe in Jesus Christ. However, pursuing holiness and obeying God’s commandments give evidence of a genuine faith in Christ (1 John 2:1-6).

FAQs REGARDING HOMOSEXUALITY

1. Can you be a Christian and gay?

_____ (see above). Christianity is about a personal relationship between sinful humanity and holy God through faith in Jesus Christ. Sinless perfection is not a prerequisite to faith; otherwise, no one could be a Christian.

2. Can homosexuals go to heaven?

_____ (see above). Whosoever believes in Jesus Christ is saved (Romans 10:13; Acts 2:21; John 3:16). But, as stated above, pursuing holiness and obeying God’s commandments give evidence of a genuine faith in Christ (1 John 2:1-6).

3. What does the Bible say about gay marriage?

By God’s design, marriage is to be between _____ for a lifetime (Matthew 19:4-6).

4. What if a person is born gay?

There is no evidence to verify that homosexuality is genetic. But, even if there were, having a physical base or root is not sufficient reason for condoning anything as good, for there are many things that have a physical root that we deem as wrongful. Whatever the cause, we must all abide by God’s commandments, whether homosexual or heterosexual.

CENTRAL TRUTH

God offers complete forgiveness and eternal life to all who believe in Jesus Christ.

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