Getting Freedom from Homosexuality

This is not a hate or a bashing or a beat down message. I do seriously want to talk about this. I think there are so many in the church who don't even know how to talk about this. There are a lot who send the wrong message or who just say, well you will go to hell if you are gay. Now, would Jesus come up and say that? No. So let's look and see what He would say. Remember He is the Word, God's Holy Word and it is what is true. End the end we will not be judged by each other, or any man, but only by God's Word (John 12:48) I believe we can discuss this without being ugly and nasty on either side. It is my hope that this message will reach those that are struggling and wanting to be set free.



LGBT – Lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender.

I have heard so many people say, well I was born like this, or it isn't a choice for me. In the past I have had friends who are gay and currently I have an aunt who is gay. I do not hate anyone. As a matter of fact when I was a baby Christian I was upset about this whole thing. I was asking, well what is a gay person supposed to do then? I said, what do I say to them? I remember the Sunday School class I was in at the time and what they said. They said, we must love them to Christ. That is true. The Bible is not about hating anyone, as a matter of fact God is love and He commands us to love. So we must walk in love. The other thing that God requires is that we obey Him. To know what it is that He wants us to obey, we must read His Word.

I'm going to share some things I ran across during my research. I listened to a radio interview in which a young man said, "Ancient texts did not understand human sexuality the way we do today. They did not understand God the way we do." What on earth he was basing that on I do not know. He said this in regards to why he believes it is ok with God for a person to be a homosexual.

I heard where there are those that believe Acts chapter 8:26-40 speaks of gay people coming into heaven. Let's break this down. In those days many times Kings and Queens would have eunuchs that worked in the palace or were placed over their harems. They were castrated or impotent. This was so that they would not have a sex drive hindering the positions that they were placed in. So this clearly was not an indication of someone being a homosexual. They were usually castrated against their will in a position of servitude.

Now many are saying, live and let live. Love your neighbor as yourself. You know when you love your neighbor, you want to tell them the truth. You love them and so you do not want them to go to hell. When you love enough to tell someone the truth, that's loving the way God loves even when it hurts.

They are saying "you don't have to believe like we do." Many are now treating Christianity as the "gospel of inclusion." Because anything goes. God is good with it all and everyone is going to heaven. Pastors are afraid to preach the truth and the sad thing that is happening is the spirit of deception is growing stronger because of this.



Spiritual Deception: Truth or Lie

Did God intend for man to be with man and woman to be with woman? Let's go back to the beginning and take a look at Genesis 1:28 - And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth.

A man and a man could not multiply back then nor could a woman and a woman. That is a fact. This is straight forward. Was God ok with men being with men and women being with women in the Old Testament? Genesis 19:5 – And they called unto Lot, and said unto him, Where are the men which came in to thee this night? Bring them out unto us, that we may know them. Now let's take a look at what God really said Sodom's sin was. **Ezekiel 16:46-50** - talking to Jerusalem. Sin, separates from God and continuing in sin leads to damnation. **Isaiah 59:1-2** – Behold the LORD'S hand is not shortened, that it cannot save; neither His ear heavy, that it cannot hear: But your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid His face from you, that He will not hear. John 9:31 – Now we know that God heareth not sinners: but if any man be a worshipper of God, and doeth His will, him He heareth. So how do we know if homosexuality is a sin just like lying or cheating or murdering or drug addiction? **Rev.21:8** – But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone which is the second death. Is homosexuality an abomination? **Leviticus 18:22** – Thou shalt not lie with mankind as with womankind: it is abomination. (Romans 1:18-32)

1 Cor.6:9-10 – Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind, nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God. So what is effeminate? Vines gives this definition: (*b*) metaphorically, in a bad sense, <u>1Cr 6:9</u>, "effeminate," not simply of a male who practices forms of lewdness, but persons in general, who are guilty of addiction to sins of the flesh, voluptuous. Strong's # 3120 - says this: of a catamite, of a boy kept for homosexual relations with a man, of a male who submits his body to unnatural lewdness, of a male prostitute. What is abusers of themselves with mankind? Strong's # 733 one who lies with a male as with a female, sodomite, homosexual.

I watched an interview of Pastors talking about gay people in their congregations and ministry work. They said if they do not let them participate in leader positions then they would have no church. One Pastor said he was fine with gay people in the church serving in leadership roles but he just didn't want it to have a negative effect on the young people.

Now Obama and our government seems to be moving more and more in a direction of support for the LGBT community.



The Bible says to obey the rules and regulations of the government you live under and honor the rulers you are under unless it conflicts with the Bible. In that case, then you must honor God and not man. Acts 5:29 Then Peter and the other apostles answered and said, we ought to obey God rather than men.

Now I have even heard scripture being twisted to seem as if it was written about homosexuality. This is an abomination to the Lord. A prominent Pastor said that Ruth and Naomi had a borderline lesbian relationship and everyone is afraid to be real and address it. That is just false teaching. You can read that in the Book of Ruth. Now the same Pastor and others are also saying that King David and Johnathan, King Saul's son had a homosexual relationship. This is abomination.



King David and Johnathan

King David was a man after God's own heart. He will rule and reign very soon again in Jerusalem under Jesus. Most men do not have loving sincere relationships that are pure like the one they had. Most of this is due to the world falling into sin. But the Bible is very explicit when it needs to be and holds nothing back. You can read of a woman being raped all night and left for dead (Judges chapters 19 & 20). You can hear of a man not wanting to impregnate a woman in Genesis 38:7-10. The Bible speaks of letting your wife's breasts satisfy you in Proverbs 5:19. The Book of Solomon describes his bride's features. A woman's period is discussed in the Bible (Lev.15:19). So let's not kid ourselves, if King David and Jonathan were gay, the Bible would have clearly stated that.

So now that we have laid the foundation, what is a homosexual person supposed to do and can they go to heaven?

First of all I have heard gay people say they are Christians and have no intention of asking the Lord's forgiveness or of repenting. If you are saying this and believing you are hearing from God and your walk with Him is fine and you are being blessed. You are living in deception. Remember the devil will bless you so he can keep you in deception and keep you blinded from discovering the truth. <u>The first step</u> is to hear and the truth and agree with God's Word. Oprah Winfrey had a panel of her "spiritual advisors" which were Priests and Pastors on one of her shows and they said that being gay was a gift from God. That is a lie. Someone else online said, well Jesus had 2 dads and He's ok. That is abomination to God. Another person was angry at Christians saying that because of the church not accepting gay people, they are committing suicide. That is a lie. When a person is being deceived in this type of way, there are demonic powers at play. There is already a spirit of homosexuality working in the person's life and if they begin to be convicted, a spirit of suicide can move in. They need freedom. Jesus is the One Who can make you free. (John 8:36) Recently Rob Bell, former megachurch pastor turned spiritual advisor to Oprah Winfrey, said that the culture is ready to embrace homosexuality and same-sex marriage and if the church hopes to stay relevant, it must accept those relationships and stop looking to the Bible as its best defense.

3 men just married in Thailand. Although same-sex marriage is not recognized in Thailand, the three men all in their 20s were able to marry under Buddhist law, and they exchanged vows on Valentine's Day in Uthai Thani Province.

In this world, we all face temptation. We are all fighting against the flesh and without the Holy Spirit it is a losing battle. Unforgiven sin will keep you out of heaven. We don't get to judge someone to say who gets in to heaven and who doesn't. That is the Lord's place. When you hear a Pastor say it is ok to be gay and it makes you feel good, you better think again.

There are people who have successfully forsaken the gay lifestyle. I will be including the links to their videos in my sermon notes. Being gay is a sin, just like all other sins, lying, stealing, adultery, drinking or drugs, etc. It is not worse than any of those things. The big thing that is an issue is the denial that is sweeping the world that it is a sin in God's eyes. So with it being legalized more and more and more and more marriages and exceptions being made people are going deeper into deception and sin. The one who is laughing is satan. God loves each and every one of us just the same. He doesn't want anyone to send themselves to hell.

We know that alcoholism can be a generational curse, it can be in the genes, it is bondage, well there is not "gay" gene. It can be a generational curse, something passed down through a family, and we know for sure it is bondage. You need freedom. **So step 2** is you come to Jesus just like you are. You don't even try to change first. He will change you. Give your life over to Him and let Him begin to change you. "Jesus set me free from Homosexuality – Part 2" - on youtube In this ladies testimony of being set free she shared that the more she drew closer to Him, the more and more her desires diminished. She said she just kept reading her Bible and praying and kept walking the walk. She was not set free instantly but gradually she was free. She has been free for 5 years. Ask Jesus to release His knowledge and truth to you through His Holy Spirit.

I watched a video of a crossdresser who was a man taking hormones to become a woman. He was living on the streets and was being witnessed to and came to church. He said, that he came as a woman because at that time he did not feel like a man. So he did not just change. He said his inside needed to change first. He said he came as he was and as the Lord began to change him, and slowly as his body changed back and he began to change on the inside, then one day he finally came as a man. He was accepted all the way through this process of change. That is what the church needs to work on is being accepting and loving just like Jesus is. God has to do it. "Homosexual Transformed by the Gospel!!" – youtube

Another video was of a man who was in San Francisco living the queen's life. He testified of getting convicted of living in sin and asking God if it was true. God showed him it was. He said at the end of his video that the Lord gave him natural affection for a woman! He is married and excited that he is able to love a woman and all glory goes to God. "Former Homosexual Speaks Out Part 1" – Youtube

Another man I watched is working with Eddie James' ministry. He said when he came into the church he was wearing makeup and prissing around the church and no one wanted to help him. He said it is not about the church, it is about Jesus. He came to the realization that Jesus has put purity inside of us and when we come to Him we have power and a destiny! "Kegan Wesley – Freedom from homosexuality" – youtube

In the mighty name of Jesus Christ, I rebuke and bind the spirit of homosexuality and deception off of everyone watching this message. I command you you to flee into the abyss and never return in the name of Jesus Christ.

I loose peace and love and healing into their lives in the name of Jesus Christ!!