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Homosexuality and Marriage.

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Love, Grace and the Bible

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But also shows how you can know God for yourself.

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Thank you for clicking on this topic, my aim in this study is not to change anyone's mind to a particular view, but rather to dispel some of the antipathy and hostility there is toward those who love Christ, but happen to be born for whatever scientific or medical reason with a natural attraction to a partner of the same sex. Please take the time to read the title, "About the Author and Testimonies" to understand the motive and intent of my heart in writing these articles.

Marriage and Homosexuality.

Marriage benefits: people who have been born with an orientation and natural disposition toward people of the same sex (homosexual men and lesbian women) who are in a loving and caring relationship, devoted to God and the Lord Jesus Christ, are not breaking any laws and are showing kindness to others want the right to marry for the same reasons heterosexuals do (i.e., to gain the moral, legal, social and spiritual benefits conferred on the marrying couple).

The material benefits of marriage are considerable, but it is the moral benefit that is especially attractive to many couples, including those in the Gay community. This is because worldwide the marriage vow is a moral commitment that two people make to one another which enshrines love, honour, respect, and mutual support it toward each other and gives people access to resources and community acknowledgment and acceptance that serve to strengthen their bond.

Theologians and psychologists: have found that men involved in homosexual relationships and women involved in lesbian relationships take their relationships just as seriously as heterosexual married couples take theirs, but without marriage, they remain second-class citizens—excluded, for no criminal reason from society and from participating in marriage one of the basic institutions of human life.

Many theologians and psychologists have also found that for men and women in committed, loving and caring same sex relationships to function as normal, healthy emotional and mental human beings they need to have the societal rights and privileges that others have in marriage since the unspoken message of denying them of this basic human need is giving a message to the world that they are lesser humans.

Ponder for a moment: is marriage about one person being female and one person being male or is it about one human totally committing their life to care for and love another person in a life-long relationship? Certainly, the concept of same-sex marriage is not found in the Bible, but the concept of government by democracy is also not found in the Bible, only that of monarchy.

On strictly biblical grounds, the doctrine of the divine right of kings has a firmer base than government by the people, but human experience, however, has led us to believe that democracy is not an illegitimate, unbiblical form of government. Is it wrong to apply this same principle to those who are born for whatever medical or scientific reason naturally attracted to another human of the same sex gender and want to live in a committed honest life-long loving relationship with each other?

Marriage and giving birth to children: should the sole reason for marriage be to give birth and raise children? There are those who would say this topic is really as simple as that, it just comes down to sex and procreation. They would argue that the inherent function of sex is to give birth and reproduce and end their argument by pointing out that homosexual sex does not fulfil the function of procreation, but marriage is not as simplistic as that nor is it only about producing children.

Marriage is also about two humans committing themselves to each other in a life long relationship, caring and loving each other, supporting and helping each other it is about having the joy of sharing life with another human, and being able to restrain the sexual craving to one partner in a safe and loving relationship, rather than expressing it to multiple bed partners. If a person can't produce children, does that mean he or she should not enjoy the other benefits a marriage gives?

Many would say yes, but interestingly enough the Roman Catholic Church, as well as most other churches, permits the marriage of infertile couples, as well as the marriage of women past childbearing age, both of which close the possibility of procreation, testifying that marriage and sex can be productive without being reproductive." Marriage is not solely conditioned on the intention or the capacity to have children the institution of marriage in our society encourages monogamy as the basis for stable personal lives.

Marriage is given for people to find ways to live ordered, shared lives; it is intended to be the most stable possible unit for a secure structure of intimacy. Some argue that marriage is about obeying the laws of the land (i.e., it is illegal to live together unmarried) this may have been true in the past, but in most countries today couples living together outside of marriage are not breaking any laws of the land. In my country Australia and many others, it is not illegal for an unmarried couple to live together (whether heterosexual or homosexual) in fact after only six months of being together they are treated by the law as a married couple,

Prejudging and Prejudice.

A person who is against homosexuality without having studied it, is making their mind up on the basis of pre-judging and to judge in this manner is, prejudice meaning bias and being bias is sin. The most common reason that people prejudge is mostly rooted in fear and lack of awareness, since the majority of heterosexuals still mistakenly think the word homosexual is about two heterosexual men or woman simply choosing from lust to have sexual intercourse with each other and do not understand that this is not what the word homosexual means at all.

The word homosexual refers to those who are born for whatever medical or scientific reason naturally attracted to another human of the same sex gender for them to be sexually active with those of the opposite sex would not only be extremely repulsive but also repugnant. Obviously there are people in homosexual community that abuse sex, but the heterosexual community is certainly not free of those within its own community who not only abuse sex but use it to make literally billions of dollars.

The Bible appears to be silent concerning people who have been born with an orientation and natural disposition toward people of the same sex who are in a loving and caring relationship, devoted to God and the Lord Jesus Christ, are not breaking any laws and are showing kindness to others.

Whenever the Bible condemns same sex relationships it has in focus heterosexuals who chose to be sexually active with each other and it is in the context of those who deny God are violent and rebellious and in many context worship idols. Historical and traditional church teaching has not understood this and therefore homosexual men and women in the church even though they are committed and dedicated to the Lord Jesus Christ and not breaking any laws are amongst the most marginalized groups in the world and often victims of violence.

Added to this many are driven to suicide because they cannot make sense of their emotions in the light of what they believe because heterosexual religious teachers have told them that to be accepted by God and the Christian church they must repent of who they are and live the remainder of their life without the affection and intimacy that comes with a committed relationship? It is true that amongst the global body of Christ some men and woman in the Christian Gay community have chosen from their own free will to take this path, as some heterosexual men and women have chosen to remain single, but does this mean that this choice should be forced upon everyone in the Gay community?

Consider for a moment: if what we teach is driving people of all ages who love the Lord Jesus Christ, are not breaking any laws and who are showing kindness to others to deep despair, depression and even suicide surely Christ would want us to question what we are believing and question what we are teaching and show some compassion, mercy and grace and be open enough to find a better way.

When we take the spotlight of others and shine it upon our own particular sinful aberrations and dysfunctions, that we all have dwelling within our own fallen and corrupted bodies, and acknowledge the truth that not one of us is able to stand before Christ and the Holiness of God and claim that we are without sin, it becomes much clearer (at least to me) that the way of mercy and grace is the better path to adopt rather than judgment and condemnation especially since it is only by God's mercy and grace that any of us are saved.

I, like the Jews of old who had to work their way through adopting Gentiles into their midst and work out-together what that meant for each group, still have certain questions that I am working through myself and for that reason my aim in these articles is not to tell anyone what they should or should not believe, but simply present unbiased information that hopefully will help people who like myself were influenced by my generation to dehumanize homosexuals and lesbians and by certain church leaders to condemn everyone who was in a same sex relationship to condemnation and hell-fire.

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