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A Bible response to Homosexuality By Jack H. Williams

The subject of homosexuality is being thrust upon our society. Attempts continue to legalize same-sex marriage. Concerted efforts have made inroads in our schools and throughout society to recognize this lifestyle as a “sexual orientation” instead of what it is, a “sexual preference.” But if we have concern for God, our position on this lifestyle is not based on man’s preferences or society’s acceptance but on God’s commands. And the fact is, God has always condemned homosexuality. Notice the following passages:

- Genesis 19:4-8 – to desire homosexual relations is to act “wickedly.”
- Leviticus 18:22 – to “lie with mankind, as with womankind: it is an abomination.”
- Romans 1:24-27 – homosexuality is called many things: uncleanness, lusts, dishonor, vile affections, against nature, leaving the natural use, unseemly, error. None of which indicates approval nor anything “gay.”
- 1 Corinthians 6:9-11 – the terms “effeminate” (males who submit their bodies to lewd and unnatural acts) and “abusers of themselves with mankind” (unnatural sex acts) apply to homosexuality. Paul notes that such are “unrighteous” and will not enter heaven.
- Genesis 2:24; Matthew 19:5-6 – God’s plan for the family has been heterosexual from the beginning, man and woman to be joined by Him.

With it so clear in the scriptures that God condemns homosexuality, what should our reaction be?

• **Be Concerned.**

Souls are at stake! The sanctity and protection of the family and even the future of society is at stake! There is a “homosexual agenda” in which you, your children, and your grandchildren are targeted to be encouraged to accept homosexuality. We must speak God’s truth in love and not stand idly by.

• **Encourage Repentance.**

Homosexuality is not a “sexual orientation,” it is a choice, and it is a sin. As such, we should lovingly seek to restore such people (Galatians 6:1-4; 2 Timothy 4:1-4). “Gay bashing” is not an option. Those who love God and men’s souls will seek to convert, not bash. If you know those engaged in this sin, seek to educate them to God’s will and encourage them to turn to God. In 1 Corinthians 6:11, we are told that those who were guilty of homosexuality changed (“such were some of you”) — and they can still change today.

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My friend, many objections are offered in defense of homosexuality. Some will tell you it has a genetic cause. There is no proof for such, but even if there was, God still says it is wrong. This same claim is often made for alcoholism, but do we leave the alcoholic alone? Others say they aren't hurting anyone else, so leave them alone. Such an argument is also made for prostitution and drugs. Do we fall for it then? Perhaps the strongest argument is "I have the right to choose." Sadly, such is true. God has always allowed man to choose between right or wrong. But if I love God, if I love the souls of man, if I love society — I will do all I can to encourage them to make the right choice.