

The Real Problem with Homosexuality

On June 26th 2015, our U.S. Supreme Court gave a ruling that all 50 states must now recognize same-sex marriage. No longer can gay couples be prohibited from marrying in any state they choose.

Those in the LGTB (lesbian, gay, transgender, and bisexual) community are very confident right now. They feel disciples are wrong for standing against what they are promoting.

I. Why do the critics say?

- A. "You are discriminating!"
 - 1. We are promoting truth!
 - 2. They are not asking for equal rights, but special rights!
- B. "I thought Christians were supposed to love!"
 - 1. This is certainly true (Luke 10:27).
 - 2. But we cannot and will not love sin!
- C. "We were born this way!"
 - 1. There is no scientific evidence that supports this!
 - 2. We must control our passions and lust (Galatians 5:23).
- D. "Jesus never specifically condemned homosexuality!"
 - 1. Jesus told what He approved of (Matthew 19:3-6).
 - 2. The entire New Testament reveals His will (John 16:12-15; 1 Corinthians 14:37).
- E. "You need to be more tolerate."
 - 1. Why won't the folks who say this tolerate our thoughts?
 - 2. We cannot tolerate and approve of sin!

II. What is the real problem?

- A. Homosexuality violates the moral standard we have been given!
- B. God is the supreme authority!
 - 1. He made us (Genesis 1:1, 27).
 - 2. His moral standard is found in His word (2 Timothy 3:16-17; 2 Peter 1:3).
 - 3. We will be judged by His standard (2 Corinthians 5:10; John 12:48).
 - 4. If we fail to submit, there will be consequences (Romans 2:7-8; Matthew 25:46; Proverbs 14:34).
- C. Once we understand these things, then determining if homosexual behavior is right or wrong is very easy to do!

III. What does the Bible say?

- A. Homosexuality is sinful behavior (Leviticus 18:22; 1 Corinthians 6:9; Romans 1:24-27).
- B. Heterosexual sex outside of marriage is sinful behavior (1 Corinthians 6:9; Hebrews 13:4; Matthew 5:27-28). This is what the word of the Creator has declared!

IV. Things to remember:

- A. God's word is right (John 12:48).
- B. We must never compromise God's word (Ephesians 4:15).
- C. We must love that which loves and hate that which God hates (John 3:16; Luke 10:27; Psalm 5:4).
- D. We have a responsibility to help change things (Romans 1:16; Matthew 28:19-20).
- E. People can change (1 Corinthians 6:9-11).