



# HOMOSEXUALITY & GENDER CONFUSION



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# Homosexual Rights

We hear much today about "homosexual rights." We are told: to speak against homosexuality is to be "homophobic;" that homosexuality is genetic; that homosexuals should be allowed full marital rights [e.g., insurance, adoption]; that churches should accept them as members and/or ministers; and, of course, "gays in the military". Well, I certainly agree with one thing: homosexuals do have rights!

What are they?

## **They have the right to be treated with fairness**

- This sin is no worse than any other! (Gays are no worse than "white" liars; Jm.2:10-13)
- On the other hand, it is no better than any other sin! (Gays are as bad as murderers!)
- But "God shows no partiality" to any man -- and neither should we! (Ac.10:34-35; v.28)
- This does NOT condone sin, ALL people deserve to be treated with respect! (1Th.5:15)

## **They have the right to know they are sinning**

- Homosexuality is a sin against God, and our own body! (Jude 7; cf. 1Cor.6:18-20)
- Homosexuality is contrary to sound doctrine according to the gospel (1Tm.1:8-11)
- It is vile, against nature, shameful, error, and worthy of death (Rm.1:26-27; cf. v.32)
- Those who practice this sin "will not inherit the kingdom of God" (1Cor.6:9-10)

## **They have the right to become children of God**

- The above picture is very bleak; is there no hope for the homosexual? YES!
- Notice the next verse: "And such were some of you. But..." (cf. 1Cor.6:11)
- John clearly states their "right to become children of God" (Jn.1:1-5; cf. v.12)
- They must do so on the same terms as everyone else (Rm.1:16; cf. Mk.16:15-16)

## **They have the right to choose -- with consequences!**

- Many today want the "right to choose" -- but without bearing any consequences!
- Example: the right to murder babies (abortion) without any guilt of bloodshed
- Well, we DO have the right to choose -- but will bear consequences! (Rv.22:14-17)
- May we all have the courage to choose the Lord's way, so we may enter heaven!

**The Lord has clearly established the rights of the homosexual – and those rights cannot be altered. Homosexuality is wrong! All who are involved in this (or any) sin need to understand the love God has for them, turning to Him in repentance and obedience to His gospel. For if they refuse, they will receive His Divine vengeance (2Th.1:7-9). Let us make their rights crystal clear to them! So, where do YOU stand?**



# Gender Confusion: An Attack on Reality

People have clearly lost their “moral footing” when they question the most basic of truths. E.g., *What is a family?* (Two dads? Two moms?). *When does a baby become fully human?* (At conception? The third trimester? At birth?). *Am I a male or a female?* (transgender). Genesis is a record of those basic truths which are now questioned by some.

What many are doing is an attack on reality; and it must be answered!

## **The gender confusion issue is of utmost importance!**

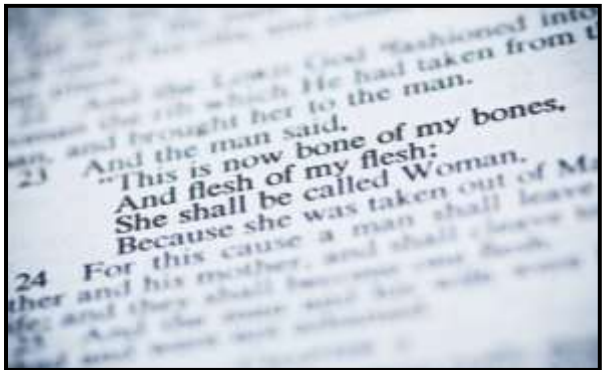
- Our public schools, colleges, & universities are indoctrinating our children with this foolishness!
- Our entertainment industry is indoctrinating the rest of the population (TV, movies, music, etc.)
- Our political- legal system is exerting pressure to accept this foolishness (transgender bathrooms)
- Hence, many are confused (what is truth?); while others fear persecution against “homophobia”

## **Genesis 1:26-27; 2:18-25 establishes some key facts:**

- There are only 2 genders: “*male and female*” (gender is NOT optional; it is who you, in fact, are!)
- Marriage is divinely regulated: *heterosexual* (M/F), *monogamous* (the two), *permanent* (cleave)
- Sex is restricted to marriage: *fornication, adultery, homosexuality, bestiality are sinful!* (Hb.13:4)
- This clearly rules out: *gay marriage, polygamy, polyandry, & divorce* (w/ one exception, Mt.19:9)

## **Arguments used to attack these God-given realities:**

- I was “born” gay, bi, - this is factually untrue; sex has a *natural* purpose, Gn.1:28; Rm.1:26-27)
- I “identify” as a certain sex (this is about *feelings*, not facts; what if I “identify” as a dog or horse?)
- God looks on the “heart” (1Sm.16:7 – *but the heart that rejects God’s law is NOT right, period!*)
- My gender is a birth defect (this is factually untrue, except in *rare* cases -hermaphrodite/intersex)



## **This attack on reality is growing; but how far will it go?**

- First, we were resistant to pleas to accept divorce; now it is common, accepted, and expected
- Then, we were resistant to pleas to accept homosexuality; now it is common, accepted, & expected
- Now, we are trying to resist the transgender movement, but it is very rapidly finding acceptance
- *What shall we do when those who practice bestiality, and pedophilia want a place at the table???*
  - ✓ We could call it “trans-species” (bestiality) and “trans-maturity level” (pedophilia)
  - ✓ Don’t laugh! This WILL be the next agenda-item in the “attack on reality” movement!

**Brethren, this is serious business! We are slowly altering our perceptions of reality. We are altering our perceptions of God’s will (both in *meaning* and *validity*). If we don’t speak out, we shall reap the fruits of confusion and persecution (from men), as well as eternal damnation (from God.) It’s later than you think!**

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