

Does God Approve of Homosexuality?

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Homosexuals and lesbians are increasing rapidly in our society because the general public is accepting this "lifestyle" as an alternative to what they call "straight." This perverted sexuality is corrupting the minds and lives of our children and young people. It is growing among young people, in spite of venereal diseases that continue on the rise. Some denominational churches are accepting this as a way of life. A few liberal denominations are now encouraging those who are guilty of this sexual sin to be active members of their churches.

The drive of the *Women's Liberation Movement* is to gain complete freedom and license for homosexual lifestyles in all parts of the country. "Marriages" of woman to woman and man to man are becoming more and more acceptable to some people of this nation. It is nauseating to those who revere God and love His word to witness these perverted "marriages" on television and read about them in the newspapers. It is surprising that some Methodists and Episcopal churches are promoting and encouraging these "marriages" of homosexuals. There is one certain thing about this: if they continue this lifestyle we will not have to worry about another generation of homosexuals because there will be no children from such marriages. They will have to depend on the copulation of a male and a female for their children.

God created the woman for the first man, to be a suitable helper for him. He created male and female and joined them together in what we call marriage. God created them in such a way that they could reproduce after their kind. He instituted marriage in which children could be conceived and born with the favor of God. Children can only come from the sexual union of *a man* and *a woman*. God further ordained that the man and the woman who cohabit to bring children into the world must first be joined by Him in marriage prior to conception.

Homosexual activity of both men and women is against nature. We are being flooded via newspapers, magazines, T.V., and radio that men and women are "created" with this desire, and that is proof that God sanctions that lifestyle. That is a lie! It is not scientific or logically true in any sense of the word. I know of none in the animal kingdom that engage in homosexual activity. Only the degenerate element of the human society boldly engages in such sin.

The word of God describes homosexual conduct in the first chapter of Romans. It is necessary to get the full context before the reader will understand the nature of this sin. If one believes there is a God, and accepts His word, he will know exactly what God thinks about this sin. Read carefully these verses from the pen of the inspired apostle Paul and see if you can find any approval from God for homosexuality.

Romans 1:22-32: "Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools, And changed the glory of the incorruptible God into an image made like to corruptible man, and to birds, and fourfooted beasts, and creeping things. Wherefore God also gave them up to uncleanness through the lusts of their own hearts, to dishonour their own bodies between themselves: Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshiped and served the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed for ever. Amen. For this cause God gave them up unto vile affections: for even their women did change the

natural use into that which is against nature: And likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust one toward another; men with men working that which is unseemly, and receiving in themselves that recompense of their error which was meet. And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient; Being filled with all unrighteousness, fornication, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, debate, deceit, malignity; whisperers, backbiters, haters of God, despiteful, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents, without understanding, covenant breakers, without natural affection, implacable, unmerciful: who knowing the judgment of God, that they which commit such things are worthy of death, not only do the same, but have pleasure in them that do them."

This lifestyle is being accepted by a large segment of this nation because they think they have changed God to accept this practice. After all, most of them think that God is everywhere and is whatever they think Him to be. God is not affected with the desires of the flesh. That is the reason God is not tempted to do evil. James said: "Let no man say when he is tempted, I am tempted of God: for God cannot be tempted with evil, neither tempteth he any man . . ." (James 1:13). But man is led away into sin by his own lusts. "But everyman is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed. Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death" (James 1:14-15).

A common profane utterance is to speak of God as the "man upstairs" or the "old man in the sky." People who speak thus of God do not have a correct understanding of Him. "God is not a man, that he should lie; neither the son of man, that he should repent . . ." (Num. 23:19). Man does not think like God thinks; man's ways are not God's ways. "For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts" (Isa. 55:8-9).

We may be facing an increasing hostile society, whose honor and worship of their god of sexual lusts, greed, murder, blasphemy and all ungodliness will cause them to come upon those who believe in and honor the Almighty God in heaven with great wrath. We may find ourselves in jail. We may find ourselves without any property, without any money, but we had better keep doing what God says for us to do in the way He says to do it. **GOD DOESN'T CHANGE!** We are not going to change Him or remake Him into some other being because we are undergoing change ourselves. We do not change the compass when we get out to sea and find the compass is not reading like we want it to read. We do not make things right by bending the hand of the compass to make it point where we want it to point. We will not be going in the right way if we do. We do not change the calendar by just writing in another date. We do not change the word of God by trying to reform God into the image we want Him to be. That is a fatal mistake men are making. If we think the Godhead is like unto gold and silver, and we can change Him at will, we do not have an understanding of God, and we have missed it all the way along: we are reprobates by God's definition. And the heathen in the first chapter of Romans are exactly what that is.