

Biblical Approach: Homosexuality

- The Biblical view on homosexuality
 - there are many different opinions on the subject of homosexuality
 - our intention here is not to look down on anyone, but to discuss this topic from a Biblical point of view
- What does the Bible have to say about homosexuality? What is God's view on it?
 - Romans 1:26-32- it is an abnormal lust ("against nature") that is displeasing to God
 - I Corinthians 6:9-10- condemns the effeminate (a man or boy having traits, tastes, habits, etc., traditionally considered feminine, as softness or delicacy; characterized by excessive softness, delicacy, self-indulgence, etc.)
 - Ephesians 5:22-31, I Peter 3:1-7- their roles in the home are not addressed in the Bible (it's not a normal relationship)
 - Genesis 19:1-13, Jude 1:7- story of Sodom and Gomorrah
- What should a Christian's reaction be toward homosexuality?
 - don't hate the person, but at the same time, don't let the person feel that homosexuality is acceptable (it's not acceptable according to the Word of God)
 - be redemptive- bring a message of hope (if we make them feel comfortable in the state they're in, what hope do they have to come out of it)
 - let them know they don't have to be that way; it is a choice; God offers deliverance (Obadiah 1:17), but a person has to want it