

# Homosexual and Transgender Behavior

## Points to Consider

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## What the Bible Says about Homosexual and Transgender Behavior

**Gen 2:18-25** *And the Lord God said, "It is not good that man should be alone; I will make him a helper comparable to him." 19 Out of the ground the Lord God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to Adam to see what he would call them. And whatever Adam called each living creature, that was its name. 20 So Adam gave names to all cattle, to the birds of the air, and to every beast of the field. But for Adam there was not found a helper comparable to him. 21 And the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall on Adam, and he slept; and He took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh in its place. 22 Then the rib which the Lord God had taken from man He made into a woman, and He brought her to the man. 23 And Adam said: "This is now bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; She shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man." 24 Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and they shall become one flesh. 25 And they were both naked, the man and his wife, and were not ashamed.*

When God decided to make a helper comparable to Adam, He did \_\_\_\_\_ make another man.

God also brought all the animals before Adam, so Adam would see that \_\_\_\_\_ of them were suitable to be his helper.

God said that a man should leave his father and mother and be joined to his \_\_\_\_\_.

**Gen 1:27-28** *So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them. 28 Then God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth."*

One of the reasons God gave Adam a helper was so they could be fruitful and \_\_\_\_\_. This command \_\_\_\_\_ be fulfilled in a \_\_\_\_\_ relationship.

**Mark 10:5-9** *And Jesus answered and said to them, "Because of the hardness of your heart he wrote you this precept. 6 But from the beginning of the creation, God 'made them male and female.' 7 'For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, 8 and the two shall become one flesh'; so then they are no longer two, but one flesh. 9 Therefore what God has joined together, let not man separate."*

Jesus confirms that God's position that man is to be joined to his \_\_\_\_\_. He also confirms that He expects this relationship to last for \_\_\_\_\_!

**Matt 19:8-10** He said to them, "Moses, because of the hardness of your hearts, permitted you to divorce your wives, but from the beginning it was not so. 9 And I say to you, whoever divorces his wife, except for sexual immorality, and marries another, commits adultery; and whoever marries her who is divorced commits adultery." His disciples said to Him, "If such is the case of the man with his wife, it is better not to marry."

Jesus clarifies God's position on divorce. Divorce is \_\_\_\_\_ allowed when one of the partners commits adultery.

God \_\_\_\_\_ intended for a man to marry a man, a woman to marry a woman, or for anyone to divorce and remarry without divinely authorized cause.

**Rom 7:2-4** For the woman who has a husband is bound by the law to her husband as long as he lives. But if the husband dies, she is released from the law of her husband. 3 So then if, while her husband lives, she marries another man, she will be called an adulteress; but if her husband dies, she is free from that law, so that she is no adulteress, though she has married another man.

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**Gen 19:4-5** Now before they lay down, the men of the city, the men of Sodom, both old and young, all the people from every quarter, surrounded the house. 5 And they called to Lot and said to him, "Where are the men who came to you tonight? Bring them out to us that we may know them carnally."

The men of the city wanted to have a \_\_\_\_\_ relationship with the two male visitors. Ezekiel 16:49-50 tells us that the people of Sodom were also guilty of \_\_\_\_\_, idleness, and not taking care of the needy.

Jude reminds us that the people of Sodom were guilty of \_\_\_\_\_ as well as homosexuality.

**Lev 18:22-23** You shall not lie with a male as with a woman. It is an \_\_\_\_\_.

**Lev 20:13-14** If a man lies with a male as he lies with a woman, both of them have committed an abomination. They shall surely be put to death. Their \_\_\_\_\_ shall be upon them.

**1 Cor 6:9-11** Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived. Neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor homosexuals, nor sodomites, 10 nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners will inherit the kingdom of God.

Homosexuals will \_\_\_\_\_ inherit the kingdom of God.

**1 Tim 1:8-11** But we know that the law is good if one uses it lawfully, 9 knowing this: that the law is not made for a righteous person, but for the lawless and insubordinate, for the ungodly and for sinners, for the unholy and profane, for murderers of fathers and murderers of mothers, for manslayers, 10 for fornicators, for sodomites, for kidnappers, for liars, for perjurers, and if there is any other thing that is contrary to sound doctrine, 11 according to the glorious gospel of the blessed God which was committed to my trust.

A sodomite is one who lies with a male as he would with a woman. This is an \_\_\_\_\_ activity.

**Rom 1:26-27** *For this reason God gave them up to vile passions. For even their women exchanged the natural use for what is against nature. 27 Likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust for one another, men with men committing what is shameful, and receiving in themselves the penalty of their error which was due.*

Same-sex relationships are referred to as against \_\_\_\_\_.

Those who engage in homosexual activities commit \_\_\_\_\_ acts.

Those who believe in God and condone same sex relationships assert that the only homosexuality condemned in the Bible is homosexuality associated with idolatry or violence.

God \_\_\_\_\_ talks about life-partners. There is \_\_\_\_\_ one example in the entire Bible of a same sex marriage.

There is not one example of gender confusion in the \_\_\_\_\_!

**1 Cor 6:9-10** *Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor **effeminate**, nor abusers of themselves with mankind, 10 Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God. KJV*

**1 Cor 6:9-10** *Have you not knowledge that evil-doers will have no part in the kingdom of God? Have no false ideas about this: no one who goes after the desires of the flesh, or gives worship to images, or is untrue when married, **or is less than a man**, or makes a wrong use of men, Or is a thief, or the worse for drink, or makes use of strong language, or takes by force what is not his, will have any part in the kingdom of God. BBE*

The Greek word translated "effeminate" and " \_\_\_\_\_ than a man" literally means "a soft man."

**Deut 22:5** *A woman shall not wear anything that pertains to a man, nor shall a man put on a woman's garment, for all who do so are an abomination to the Lord your God. NKJV*

**1 Cor 11:13-16** *Judge among yourselves. Is it proper for a woman to pray to God with her head uncovered? 14 Does not even nature itself teach you that if a man has long hair, it is a dishonor to him? 15 But if a woman has long hair, it is a glory to her; for her hair is given to her for a covering. 16 But if anyone seems to be contentious, we have no such custom, nor do the churches of God.*

God has always considered a person's gender to be that which \_\_\_\_\_ assigned them at birth.

## **How Christians Should Treat Homosexuals and Transgender People**

**1 Thess 5:14-15** *Now we exhort you, brethren, warn those who are unruly, comfort the fainthearted, uphold the weak, be patient with all. 15 See that no one renders evil for evil to anyone, but always pursue what is good both for yourselves and for all. NKJV*

**Matt 7:12** *Therefore, whatever you want men to do to you, do also to them, for this is the Law and the Prophets.*

If you had a continual sinful desire, you'd want people to extend \_\_\_\_\_ and mercy to you.

You would not want people to use \_\_\_\_\_ names to describe you.

**Rom 1:28-32** *And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a debased mind, to do those things which are not fitting; 29 being filled with all unrighteousness, sexual immorality, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, strife, deceit, evil-mindedness; they are whisperers, 30 backbiters, haters of God, violent, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents, 31 undiscerning, untrustworthy, unloving, unforgiving, unmerciful; 32 who, knowing the righteous judgment of God, that those who practice such things are deserving of death, not only do the same but also approve of those who practice them.*

Those who are unloving, unforgiving, and \_\_\_\_\_ will face the righteous judgments of God in the same manner as the homosexual.

We can't have a \_\_\_\_\_ that says homosexuality or transgender behavior is worse than other sins.

**James 2:10-13** *For whoever shall keep the whole law, and yet stumble in one point, he is guilty of all. 11 For He who said, "Do not commit adultery," also said, "Do not murder." Now if you do not commit adultery, but you do murder, you have become a transgressor of the law. 12 So speak and so do as those who will be judged by the law of liberty. 13 For judgment is without mercy to the one who has shown no mercy. Mercy triumphs over judgment.*

If you are covetous, envious, or one who causes strife, you are guilty of violating the \_\_\_\_\_ law as one who practices homosexuality or the effeminate.

We must understand that it is the action that is sinful, not the desire. That's why I put the word "Behavior" in the title.

**Gal 6:1-4** *Brethren, if a man is overtaken in any trespass, you who are spiritual restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness, considering yourself lest you also be tempted. 2 Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. 3 For if anyone thinks himself to be something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself.*

If we know one who is overtaken in the trespass of homosexuality we need to \_\_\_\_\_ them in a spirit of \_\_\_\_\_.

Our greatest victories might come by convincing those who approve of homosexuality to stop condoning this behavior.

## **What to Do if You Have Homosexual Desires or Gender Confusion**

**1 Cor 6:9-11** *Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived. Neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor homosexuals, nor sodomites, 10*

*nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners will inherit the kingdom of God. 11 And such were some of you. But you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus and by the Spirit of our God.*

Homosexuality is something that \_\_\_\_\_ be overcome. In God's eyes it is as conquerable as fornication, covetousness, and \_\_\_\_\_.  
You need to be washed \_\_\_\_\_ from a life of sin. Included in that is the idea of repentance.

You need to be \_\_\_\_\_. You need to be set apart as being holy to God.

You need to be \_\_\_\_\_. When we are justified we are rendered innocent of past sins. \_\_\_\_\_ is an option for heterosexuals and homosexuals. If your right eye causes you to sin...

**James 5:13-18** *Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing psalms. 14 Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. 15 And the prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven. 16 Confess your trespasses to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much. 17 Elijah was a man with a nature like ours, and he prayed earnestly that it would not rain; and it did not rain on the land for three years and six months. 18 And he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain, and the earth produced its fruit.*

**Pray** for yourself.

Seek \_\_\_\_\_ people to pray for you.

Stay away from things or people who will encourage you in any sinful lifestyle. (1 Cor 15:33)