



Men's Roundtable: The Quest for Purity

Session 6: Homosexuality & Same-Sex Attraction

For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.

– John 1:17

I. Homosexuality is _____ sin.

“Our culture has accepted two huge lies. The first is that if you disagree with someone’s lifestyle you must fear or hate them. The second is that loving someone means you have to agree with everything they say or do. Both are nonsense. You don’t have to compromise convictions to be compassionate.”

– Rick Warren

¹⁰ *The law is for people who are sexually immoral, or who practice homosexuality, or are slave traders, liars, promise breakers, or who do anything else that contradicts the wholesome teaching ¹¹ that comes from the glorious Good News entrusted to me by our blessed God.*

– 1 Timothy 1:10-11

Then Jesus said to His disciples, "If anyone wishes to come after Me, he must deny himself, and take up his cross and follow Me."

— Matthew 16:24

2. Homosexuality is not an _____ sin.

⁹ Don't you realize that those who do wrong will not inherit the Kingdom of God? Don't fool yourselves. Those who indulge in sexual sin, or who worship idols, or commit adultery, or are male prostitutes, or practice homosexuality,¹⁰ or are thieves, or greedy people, or drunkards, or are abusive, or cheat people — none of these will inherit the Kingdom of God.

" Some of you were once like that. But you were cleansed; you were made holy; you were made right with God by calling on the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God.

— I Corinthians 6:9-11

3. How do we respond?

A. If you struggle personally:

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B. If you do not personally struggle:

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Discussion Questions

1. Why has the issue of homosexuality been so complicated for the church to address?
2. How do you maintain a conviction that something is sin and yet show compassion to others?
3. Can you explain the difference between homosexuality and same-sex attraction?
4. In what ways have you been self-righteous with respect to this issue?
5. In what ways can you engage those around you who are struggling?

Suggested Resources

Is God anti-gay?, by Sam Allbery

Love Into Light, by Peter Hubbard

Hope for Wholeness (ministry)