

“Can a Homosexual Be a ‘Christian...?’”

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**How the Bible relates to "Homosexual Christianity," or, "Christian Homosexuality"
"Can there truly be such a thing as 'Christian Homosexuality,' or 'Homosexual Christianity'...?"**

Response: Around the world today, there are thousands of homosexuals who are members of Christian churches, who love the Lord, and who practice many of the tenets of Christianity. Perhaps they are living up to all the light they presently have and sincerely want to follow Jesus. But if they will truly look to Him, they will inevitably be changed. For by beholding Him we do become changed into His likeness.

However, and I say this kindly towards the "gay" community, practicing homosexuality is, in essence, a rejection of Jesus Christ as Lord and Master. Many gays profess Christ. They do "believe...." After all, the Bible says only believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved. So the gay "Christian," or the "Christian gay", may attempt to practice religion and perversion side by side. But, as **Lord** and **Master**, Jesus says,

"Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that *doeth* the will of my Father which is in heaven." (Matt. 7:21-23) The apostle James concurs, "Thou believest that there is one God; thou doest well: **the devils also believe**, and tremble. But wilt thou know, O vain man, that *faith without works is dead*?" (James 2:19,20) Apparently, belief without a corresponding lifestyle change is a dead belief that amounts to deception...!

There really can be no such thing as "Christian homosexuality," for the same reason that there can be no such thing as Christian adultery, Christian murder, Christian drunkenness, Christian drug addiction, Christian lying, Christian rock 'n' roll, or Christian idolatry, ad infinitum. Attaching the label "Christian" to one's belief, practice, or perversion does not make it so. The word "Christian" connotes discipleship, following after, in belief **and** practice. A good test of what is "Christian" would be to ask, "Is there any indication in God's word that Jesus condones or would participate in this belief, behavior, or practice?" As the popular saying goes, "What would Jesus do?"

By beholding Him we become changed into His likeness. A true Christian should remember that in life he should be training for the marriage of Christ. One may have a theoretical knowledge of the truth, but this will not save him. We must come to know by experience how sinful sin is, and how much we need Jesus as a personal Saviour. Only thus can we become sons and daughters of God. Our only merit is our great need.

In light of all this, many "Christian homosexuals" will still want to insist that they are just as much saved by grace as any other Christian. But "Grace", according to the Greek dictionary, is "the divine influence upon the heart, and its reflection in the life." It is the divine power that facilitates *change*.

Paul warns us in 2 Thessalonians 2:10-12 about those who are deceived in their unrighteousness and thus led to perish, "because they received not the *love of the truth*, that they might be saved. And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie: That they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness."

Again in his letter to the Romans he stated, "Wherefore God also gave them up to uncleanness through the lusts of their own hearts, to dishonor their own bodies between themselves: Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and *worshipped 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" (Romans 1:24-28)

In essence, once the homosexual comes to know Christ, he is faced with a decision, a choice. Will he serve the Creator; trust and obey Him? Or, will he worship the created, and continue in his life of servitude, in bondage to sin and Satan; Satan being the perverter of all that God created to be holy?

The "Christian homosexual", if truly Christian, will submit himself to the divine reconditioning, therapy, reprogramming, re-creation process of the Creator who loves him unconditionally. Remember: "The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance." (2 Peter 3:9) Truly, "God is love." (1 John 4:8)

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