

Biblical Scriptures References Continues:

Salvation is of the Lord:	The Love of God:
Psalms 3:8	Deuteronomy 30:14
John 3:1-21	Mark 12: 30-36
Acts 16:30-31	John 3:16
Romans 10: 8-13	John 14:15
Revelation 7:10	Romans 10:8
	1 John 4:8

Many people really miss the whole point when they defend the homosexual lifestyle by viewing it simply as a form of love shown to another person. Love is not the issue—behavior is the issue.

How does love manifest itself? I may love anyone or anything but that doesn't mean that my behavior is totally free with regard to the object of my love. For example, I may love ice cream. Does that mean that I do not have to exercise any restraint when it comes to how much I eat or when I eat? I love my spouse but that doesn't mean that my behavior doesn't have to stay within certain bounds (i.e. no abuse, no force, no compulsion). The same is true with regard to love that people of the same sex may feel for one another. The Lord has set certain boundaries on behavior, and especially sexual behavior. To willfully cross these boundaries is not "love" but rebellion against the Creator.
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Biblical Principles to Recovery:

1. Ask God, through the Holy Spirit's guidance, to change your heart and will to do the right thing. *"For it is God who works in you to will and to act according to his good purpose."* (Philippians 2:13, NIV) God helps you to want to do his will and then gives you the ability to do it.

2. Open the door of the spirit of your heart to the Spirit of God by asking him to fill you. *"Be filled with the Spirit."* (Ephesians 5:18, NIV) Ask the Holy Spirit to fill your personality and to keep on filling you so he can guide you, teach you, and give you power to be a spiritual person.

3. Close the door of the flesh to Satan by confessing your sins and claiming Christ's crucifixion of the flesh. *"I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live; but Christ lives in me. The life I live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me."* (Galatians 2:20, NIV)

4. Renew your mind by saturating it in the Word of God. *"Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is -- his good, pleasing and perfect will."* (Romans 12:2, NIV) As you listen to God and his Word and obey him, your mind is renewed. You experience the mind of Christ helping you know and understand the will of God.

5. Allow the Holy Spirit to master your emotions by producing the fruit of the Spirit in you. *"The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law."* (Galatians 5:22, 23, NIV) The fruit of the Spirit helps produce the right emotions in you.

6. Present your body to Christ as an instrument of righteousness. *"Do not offer the parts of your body to sin, as instruments of wickedness, but rather ... offer the parts of your body to him as instruments of righteousness."* (Romans 6:12, 13, NIV) Your body is not evil in itself, only the flesh, or your sinful nature, is evil. Present your body and all of its members to God.

7. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength. As you yield yourself to God fully, the Holy Spirit helps you to master your mind, will, emotions, body, and soul through the power of Christ. Now, take a moment to evaluate your own life.

8. Fellowship with other believers in Christ. Fellowship, gathering together to worship God is an important part of a Christian's life. It is a time to "be full of joy" when we join together. It is also a time for us to learn from each other, to learn to deal with one another as Christians, and problem solve together. He instructs us to not fail to assemble together and encourage and support one another.

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What the Bible say about Homosexuality

Homosexuality is by no means a recent development. All the way back in the book of Genesis the Bible tells us about Sodom whose men came to the door of Lot crying out **"...Where are the men who came to you tonight? Bring them out to us that we may know them carnally"** (19:5 NKJV). Of course the entire city was destroyed, not exclusively because of this sin, but homosexuality was a part of their overall wickedness.

The law of Moses was explicit regarding what was and was not proper sexual behavior. Among those things that were restricted were: premarital relations (Deuteronomy 22:23-29), adultery (Deuteronomy 22:22), incest (Leviticus 18:6-18), bestiality (Leviticus 18:23) and homosexuality. Here is how the law read with regard to homosexuality: **"You shall not lie with a man as with a woman. It is an abomination"** (Leviticus 18:22). The punishment for disobedience to this law was also clear: **"If a man lies with a male as with a woman, both of them have committed an abomination. They shall surely be put to death. Their blood shall be upon them"** (Leviticus 20:13).

After the conquest of Canaan an incident much like that which occurred in Sodom took place in the city of Gibeah. The men of the city surrounded the house of one of its citizen's demanding, **"Bring out the man who came to your house, that we may know him carnally!"** (Judges 19:22). This bizarre incident led to the man giving his concubine to the men of the city, whom they raped, abused, and killed. This uncontrolled lust led to a national war.

Many in the religious world have misunderstood the fact that Jesus never addressed homosexuality directly to be a sanction for its practice in the Christian age. Nothing could be farther from the truth! As proof of this consider two points: 1.) Homosexuality is *fornication* and 2.) The apostles taught the Lord's commandments.

In Matthew 15:19 and Mark 7:21 Jesus includes within a list of many others sins **"fornication"** ("sexual immorality" NIV). He draws the conclusion at the end of this list, **"All these evil things come from within a man and defile a man"** (Mark 7:23). The same word is used in Matthew 19:9 and Matthew 5:32 in which Jesus grants (as the sole cause for divorce) that **"fornication"** is a justifiable reason to put away one's mate.

The word translated "fornication" is the Greek word *porneia*. According to Thayer it means "Illicit sexual intercourse in general" (532). The Bible makes it clear that while Jesus was on earth He was in full compliance with the teachings of the Law of Moses (Galatians 4:4, Hebrews 4:14,15 and Matthew 5:19). When Jesus condemned "fornication" He condemned all the Law of Moses defined as fornication, including homosexuality.

Further, it is clear that Jesus promised that after His departure the Holy Spirit would be given to His disciples to guide them **"into all truth."** (John 16:13). Even when the Apostles taught they could say, **"...The things which I write to you are the commandments of the Lord"** (1 Corinthians 14:37). That being the case, it is abundantly clear from the writings of the apostles that homosexuality is condemned.

The Apostles' Doctrine

The book of Revelation condemns "fornication" seven times. Revelation (2:21; 9:21; 14:8; 17:2,4; 18:3; 19:2). The Apostle Paul spoke eleven times of "fornication. (Romans 1:29; 1 Corinthians 5:1; 6:13,18; 7:2; 2 Corinthians 12:21; Galatians 5:19; Ephesians 5:3; Colossians 3:5; 1 Thessalonians 4:3). Further, some of the most clear statements in the Scripture condemning homosexuality are made by the Apostle Paul.

In 1 Corinthians 6:9-10 he includes **"homosexuals"** and **"sodomites"** in a list of those who **"...Will not inherit the kingdom of God."** In 1 Timothy 1:10 Paul describes the behavior of fornicators and sodomites as that which, **"Is contrary to sound doctrine."** In Romans 1:24-27 Paul traces the thinking which leads people into such practices describing it as **"vile," "against nature"** (1:26), and **"shameful"** (1:27). All of this makes it abundantly clear that a person cannot participate in this type of behavior and have any hope of eternal life with God.

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