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The Homosexual Revolution (Part I)

The Word of God says, “Thou shalt not lie with mankind, as with womankind: it is abomination” (Lev. 18:22). “If a man also lie with mankind, as he lieth with a woman, both of them have committed an abomination: they shall surely be put to death; their blood shall be upon them” (Lev. 20:13).

This article under study will not be a popular one nor will it be accepted by many, but it's a matter of either accepting the teaching of God's Word or not. Earlier this year, CNN's Piers Morgan put Joel Osteen on the “hot seat” by asking him if he believed that homosexuality is a sin to which he replied, “it's a sin.” I'm not a fan of Osteen, but on this issue I agree. Albert Mohler wrote about this interview by Morgan and said, “Joel Osteen found himself forced to answer a question that every Christian - and certainly every Christian leader - will be forced to answer. When that moment comes, and come it will, those who express confidence in the Bible's teaching that homosexuality is a sin will find themselves facing the same shock and censure from the very same quarters.”

There is a revolution going on in our nation, but it's not the type of revolution that overthrows the government. It's a revolution that seeks to overthrow the moral foundation of our country and is being led by the Devil and his demonic forces. For the next few moments, allow me to go back a little ways into history. A homosexual, who calls himself a gay revolutionary, wrote an essay that appeared in the Gay Community News back in 1987. These are the words he wrote, “We shall sodomize your sons, we shall seduce them in your schools, in your dormitories, in your gymnasiums, in your locker rooms, in your sports arenas, in your seminaries, in your youth groups, in your movie theater bathrooms, in your army bunkhouses, in your truck stops, in your all male clubs, in your houses of Congress, wherever men are with men together. You will be shocked and frightened when you find that your presidents and their sons, your

industrialists, your senators, your mayors, your generals, your athletes, your film stars, your TV personalities, your civic leaders, your priest's are not the ... heterosexual figures you assumed them to be. We are everywhere; we have infiltrated your ranks. The family unit ... will be abolished. All churches who condemn us will be closed. Our only gods are handsome young men."

Satan is using every means available to accomplish his goals, including not only the media, but also popular governmental officials. As I look back over the years, I see President Bill Clinton as a primary tool in opening the closet door and letting out the homosexuals. His very first social priority was to favorably address the homosexual community. After homosexual organizations gave over \$2.5 million to his election campaign, Clinton appealed to his electorate. He promised during his presidential campaign to support a federal gay rights bill as long as it exempted religious organizations. For the first time in American history, Clinton invited a group of homosexual/lesbian musicians to provide entertainment for his inaugural parade. To symbolize his acceptance of homosexuality, he allowed a lesbian couple to ride on a float in his parade. However, to make bad matters worse, the float upon which they rode was dedicated to American families.

The Biblical concept of separation, involves not only separation unto God, but separation from the world. When God tells His people to be "holy" (Lev. 20:7), He intends for them to be morally and ethically pure. The very lifestyle of God's people should propagate Holiness as well as their beliefs and convictions. Morality is not relative, but is based upon God's absolute authority as declared in His Holy Word. The only other alternative to what thus saith the Lord, is a lifestyle of self-destruction. Both the Old and New Testaments plainly teaches that God has placed considerable restraints upon man's moral behavior. To violate God's Word is to violate his principles of Holiness. For a person to lust after someone else is to cross God's boundary line of human interpersonal relationships. The wording of our above text is easily understandable, even from the KJV, and needs little explanation.

God's Regulations Regarding Intimate Relationships

Before God addressed the problems of sexual immorality, He reminded the people that He was the "Lord" their "God" Who was in sovereign authority over them (Lev. 18:1-2). He warned Israel that they weren't to practice the sins of the flesh that were demonstrated in "the land of Egypt" and "in the land of Canaan" (Lev. 18:3). God expects the conduct of His people to be in direct contrast to the heathen humanistic culture of the world. Unfortunately, we're living in a day where it's becoming more difficult to see any difference between many so called Christians and their modern society. But, notice that I said, "so called", Christians. Those who profess but do not possess. To be a true follower of Jesus Christ means to possess a desire to "live" according to the "judgments, ordinances, and statutes" of God (Lev. 18:4-5).

Sex outside of marriage is, always has been, and always will be sin in the sight of God. The Lord governed and regulated sexual intimacy between a husband and wife for the welfare and happiness of mankind. To protect the sanctity of marriage, God gives a list of sexual prohibitions, which are considered sins of incest (Lev. 18:7-18).

Sex was forbidden with ones father or mother (v.7-8), sister or half sister (v.9), granddaughter (v.10), a father's daughter by another marriage (v.11), aunt (v.12-13), aunt by marriage (v.14), daughter in law (v.15), sister in law (v.16), wife's daughter or granddaughter by a former marriage (v.17), or wife's sister (v.18).

Concluding God's list of sexual sins are unnatural acts that are divinely prohibited. The misuse of human "seed" (semen) is said to "profane the name" of the God of creation (Lev 18:21). God is the One Who put this world together and He alone has the right to declare what is right and wrong. I know that what I'm about to say will anger some, but today's sperm banks, modern methods of artificial insemination, and genetic technology cannot help but cause me to question if man is not tampering with something that should be left alone.

When we come to Lev. 18:22, God calls homosexuality, an "abomination." This word in the Hebrew means, a disgusting thing. God created "male and female" (Gen. 1:27) to perfectly compliment one another to the point of actually fitting together (Matt. 19:5). He made NO such provision for people of the same sex. A man is to be different from a woman, not only in behavior and sexuality, but even in his very appearance (I Cor. 11:14). In other words, males are to act, dress, groom, and perform sexually as men. Likewise, the same can be said of a woman. It's an "abomination" to God for men to act like women and for women to act like men.

Last on the list of sexual prohibitions is the sin of bestiality (Lev. 18:23). Bestiality is committing a sex act with an animal. Someone has commented that after the sin of homosexuality takes over a land, the only thing left in way of sexual perversion is bestiality. As revolting as it seems, this was a common part of Canaanite worship and is known to still occur today.

God's Warning Against Unnatural Sex Practices

These sins mentioned in the Book of Leviticus, were the very ones that caused God to judge the Canaanite "nations" (Lev. 18:24-30). Anyone who practices the sins of the Canaanites can expect to receive the punishment of God. The Lord used a foreign invader to drive them out of their land and cut their lives short. Sexual sins have caused the most powerful empires to crumble. Just look at the Babylonian, Grecian, and Roman empires. If homosexuality is allowed to prevail, it will bring God's judgment upon our nation also. The punishment for committing homosexuality was to be "cut off from among the people." In other words, homosexuality was forbidden by God to the point that it carried the "death" (Lev. 20:13) penalty in Israel. Although, today's society doesn't carry out this execution of judgment, it appears that God has sent health invaders to plague those who are given over to such perversion. Those who practice any type of sexual perversion subject themselves to sexually transmitted diseases. Reports tell us that it's not uncommon for homosexuals to have a very high number of sexual partners.

Our nation is rapidly resembling "Sodom and Gomorrah" (Gen. 18:20) with people in high places treating the prohibition of God lightly (Gen. 19:4-11). The Book of Genesis records the first instance of homosexuality, which has been known from Lot's day to our day, as Sodomy. If you want to know what God thinks of Sodomy, just look at what

he did to these cities that practiced it (Gen. 19:24-25). The judgment that fell upon “Sodom and Gormorrah” should be a warning for our generation. If we’re not careful, we too can become like “Lot” by letting down our guard, tolerating sin, becoming complacent, and allowing the world to rob us of a Christian testimony.

No matter how many politicians and psychologist argue that any kind of sex is normal as long as it brings fulfillment and satisfaction, God’s Word remains unchanged and God still feels repugnance for sexual perversion. The argument of a loving caring relationship sounds good, but if it’s not practiced within the guidelines of scripture, then it’s spiritually illegitimate. Homosexuality is NOT just another lifestyle choice, but it’s willful sinful perversion contrary to God’s ordained husband and wife relationship. No society can exist without a core of values and a set of limitations. The very God, Who created man, gave him guidelines by which to live. The Biblical model for the expression of human sexuality is provided in uniting a man and woman in a life-long faithful relationship of holy matrimony (Mk. 10:6-8). If one wishes to live outside of sexual expression, then the only other alternative is singleness and celibacy (Matt. 19:12).

A Ministry Update

I realize that my writing on this subject will not be a popular study in today’s world. However, we cannot bury our heads in the sand and remain neutral. In commenting on Osteen’s interview by Morgan, Al Mohler stated, “Most Christians will not face that question on national television, but on a college campus, in a family discussion, in the workplace, or in the heat of debate. But, whatever the circumstances, that moment will soon come.” I totally agree with Brother Mohler. Recently, a major denomination in the United States made it possible for gays to serve within their ranks. Families everywhere have to deal with homosexuality. Many parents, even within the church, are learning how to love their children, but reject their sinful choices, including homosexuality. Believers in the Lord Jesus Christ must love people, but at the same time remain true and faithful to the truth of God’s Word and love God above all at whatever the cost.

Before closing, I would like to pay tribute to the memory of Pastor Gerald Primm. He is the man who encouraged me to begin COGM and he became one of our original board members. On Saturday, May 28, he went home to be with the Lord at 89 years of age. Not only was he a distinguished hero and fighter pilot of World War II, but a great hero of the Christian Faith. I will greatly miss him, but look forward to seeing him in glory. Because of God’s Sovereign Grace.....BWM

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