



It all makes sense now. Gay marriage and marijuana being legalized on the same day. "If a man lays with another man he should be stoned." Leviticus 20:13

"Don't cling to a mistake just because you spent a lot of time making it."

The R.U.S.H. Bible Study Position on the LGBTQ+++ Community

The Biblical Argument:

God's Original Plan from the Old Testament: (scripture in italics, my comments in blue.)

"Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh." Genesis 2:24 (KJV)

From the beginning, male and female. It is even scientifically required for us to survive as a species. We cannot survive as the human race without each other.

Jesus Holding to This Old Testament Position on His Plan for Mankind in the New Testament:

"But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female.' 'Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.' So they are no longer two but one flesh. What therefore God has joined together, let not man separate." Mark 10:6-9 (NIV)

Please notice here that from the beginning, not only was male and female established in the original design, it was also singular. Not male and females, but 1 man and 1 woman. Also, it is not in the Old Testament alone, but here in the New Testament as well as we have just read.

God's Opinion of Homosexuality:

"Do not lie with a man as one lies with a woman; that is detestable" **Leviticus 18:22 (NIV)**"No man is to have sexual relations with another man; God hates that." **Leviticus 18:22 (GNT)**

Just think for a moment about this truth. Why would God hate it? What's the big deal? For starters, you must realize that with-in 100 years or so from today, every living person on Earth will be dead. Every man, woman and child, because of our life expectancy. If everyone on the planet lived the gay lifestyle strictly, the human race ends in 100 years. The gay lifestyle leads to death. God's design leads to life. And I realize there are ways around this medically, you don't need to patronize me. The best solution is in God's plan. The reason for this is we need each other for more than procreation. Our children need their dads and moms to love each other, to work together, and raise them together, under one roof for life. If you don't recognize this truth, I can't fix what's wrong with you.

God's Proclamation on Homosexuality:

"If a man practices homosexuality, having sex with another man as with a woman, both men have committed a detestable act. They must both be put to death, for they are guilty of a capital offense.

Leviticus 20:13 (NLT)

"If a man has sexual relations with a man as one does with a woman, both of them have done what is detestable. They are to be put to death; their blood will be on their own heads. Leviticus 20:13 (NIV)

Just as in the New Testament, we see here "the wages of sin are death". Just to be clear, I do not feel that there should be the death penalty for homosexuality today because of Jesus admonition in Revelation 22:11.

"He that is unjust, let him be unjust still: and he which is filthy, let him be filthy still: and he that is righteous, let him be righteous still: and he that is holy, let him be holy still." **Revelation 22:11**

The blood of Jesus is a game changer. No doubt about it. In this dispensation of grace, mankind is no longer under the Law of Moses, and I am glad for that truth. There is a big problem however when it is now becoming the case where not only is homosexuality legal, it is applicated, and often by mandate.

Hollywood has already made it a rule that to be considered for an Oscar the movie must have a prominent LGBTQ+++ character. It is in many school systems today in America that everyone associated, and all teachers/guidance counselors must be gender affirming and pro-gay. It will soon be legislated, I fear, that we will not be able to preach against certain sins in the church. This is already the case in Canada.

God's Position on Crossdressing:

"A woman must not wear men's clothing, and a man must not wear women's clothing. This **is abhorrent** to the Lord your God." **Deut. 22:5 (TLB)**

"A woman shall not wear that which pertaineth unto a man, neither shall a man put on a woman's garment; for whosoever doeth these things is an abomination unto the LORD thy God." Deut. 22:5. (KJV) "Women are not to wear men's clothing, and men are not to wear women's clothing; the LORD your God hates people who do such things." Deuteronomy 22:5 (GNT)

"A woman shall not wear a man's clothing, nor shall a man put on a woman's clothing; for whoever does these things is utterly repulsive to the LORD your God." Deuteronomy 22:5 (AMP)

"Abhorrent, abomination, hates, repulsive" I am reminded of Werner von Braun's famous quote. He was the man that designed the V2 rocket for the Atomic Bomb. When asked what he thought about his rocket he said "The rocket worked perfectly, it just landed on the wrong planet." This must be how God feels when we use the beautiful design meant for pro-creation and sharing our love with our spouse for perversion.

The Scriptural Position on Pedophilia:

"And whosoever shall offend one of these little ones that believe in me, it is better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and he were cast into the sea." Mark 9:42 & Matthew 18:6

Spilling from the lips of Jesus. Although not mentioning the sin of pedophilia specifically, Jesus goes all in on the place children have in His heart. He communed with thieves, prostitutes, tax collectors and drunks. He was kind and forgiving to all of them. He reached out and forgave them all. Even the people who killed him. But people who abuse children? In His own words, they are better off dead.

The Biblical Posiition on Beastiality:

"Whoever lies with an animal shall be put to death." **Exodus 22:19**"And you shall not lie with any animal and so make yourself unclean with it, neither shall any woman give herself to an animal to lie with it: it is perversion." **Leviticus 18:23**"If a woman approaches any animal and lies with it, you shall kill the woman and the animal; they shall surely be put to death; their blood is upon them." **Leviticus 20:16**

The New Testament Position is that Homosexuality is Punishment for Unbridled Lust:

"For this reason God gave them up to dishonorable passions. For their women exchanged natural relations for those that are contrary to nature; and the men likewise gave up natural relations with women and were consumed with passion for one another, men committing shameless acts with men and receiving in themselves the due penalty for their error. And since they did not see fit to acknowledge God, God gave them up to a debased mind to do what ought not to be done." Rom. 1:26-28

From this passage in Romans we learn that homosexuality may even be a judgement for sin. It says "they saw fit not to acknowledge God, so He them gave up to" this behavior. Cross-ref. Pro.3:6.

The Proper Sentence and Judgement for Homosexuality:

"Or do you not know that wrongdoers will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived: Neither the sexually immoral nor idolaters nor adulterers nor men who have sex with men nor thieves nor the greedy nor drunkards nor slanderers nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God." 1 Corinthians 6:9-10

The homosexual community has a choice to make, Jesus or hell. And don't get arrogant about it either, there is a whole list of sins in that verse that gets the same punishment as homosexual behavior. Thieves, greedy, drunks, slanderers, swindlers.

God's New Testament Remedy to Prevent Homosexuality and Immorality in General:

"But because of the temptation to sexual immorality, each man should have his own wife and each woman her own husband." **1 Corinthians 7:2**

Note the Old Testament solution is the same as the New Testament solution. Also note as a related subject, the use of the singular, man and wife, not men and wives. The solution once again is God's plan from the start. When we as married couples take care of each other, the Devil doesn't stand a chance. Now please understand, a dry spell is not an excuse for bad behavior. "If she took care of me" or "if he paid attention to me," it "wouldn't have happened". We are obligated to the Lord, not only to each other. We owe it to God to be faithful to our spouse. What I am saying here is there are 2 ways to be unfaithful. We as married couples can be unfaithful by straying to the arms of someone else, or we can be unfaithful by ignoring the arms of our spouse. Both behaviors are unfaithful. Both are adultery.

Redemption and Restoration for the Repentant Homosexual, and the Rest of Us:

"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come." **2 Corinthians 5:17**

The good news is that there is redemption in Christ Jesus. The blood of Jesus provides the hope for the homosexual, and the rest of us. There is room for forgiveness and reunion available to this community. Don't give up on your friends and family that may be playing in this sin. You also were once a sinner, and found forgiveness in Christ. The gay community is no different than any other group in this regard.

The Science: This is taken from an NPR report on the largest genetic investigation of sexuality ever performed. It was hilarious when it came out. Heads exploded on the left. All these loons in vagina hats crying on t.v. was quite enjoyable to me. The reason being is "if there is no gay gene, then homosexuality is a choice." To the Christian this is a moot point of course because <u>desire doesn't justify behavior</u> anyway. Sexual desire doesn't justify sexual behavior. What if someone desires pedophilia, or bestiality? Does that justify those behaviors? This study proved that the argument "I was born this way" is a lie. (I would caveat intersex).

There is no 'gay gene' Sexuality is complex, study confirms. Science Aug 29, 2019

There is no single gene responsible for a person being gay or a lesbian. That's the first thing you need to know about the largest genetic investigation of sexuality ever, which was published August 2019 in Science. The study of nearly a half million people closes the door on the debate around the existence of a so-called "gay gene." In its stead, the report finds that human DNA cannot predict who is gay or heterosexual. (Notice here where they start trying to nullify some of the devastating consequences to the pro gay crowd.) Sexuality cannot be pinned down by biology, psychology or life experiences, this study and others show, because human sexual attraction is decided by all these factors. (All these factors? You just said there is no gay gene, which means the contributing factors of psychology and life experiences from the list they provided above are the culprits.)

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"This is not a first study exploring the genetics of same-sex behavior, but the previous studies were small and underpowered," Andrea Ganna, the study's co-author and genetics research fellow at the Broad Institute at Mass General Hospital, said in a press briefing on Wednesday. "Just to give you a sense of the scale of [our] data, this is approximately 100 times bigger than any previous study on this topic."

Moreover, the researchers found that sexuality is **polygenic** — meaning hundreds or even thousands of genes make tiny contributions to the trait. That pattern is similar to other heritable (but complex) characteristics like height or a **proclivity toward trying new things**. (Things like red/green colorblindness, freckles and dimples **can be traced back to single genes**). But polygenic traits can be strongly influenced by the environment, meaning there's no clear winner in this "nature versus nurture" debate. (*Notice how the left wing NPR spins this? The study makes it clear that there is no gay gene. NPR uses polygenesis to justify proclivities. In the nature versus nurture argument, nurture clearly wins.*)

It is worth keeping in mind that this study only covers some types of sexuality — gay, lesbian and cis-straight — but doesn't offer many insights into gender identity. In other words, the team only looked at the "LGB" within the acronym LGBTQIA+.

What the scientists did

The study set out to investigate a 20-year-old genetics debate in sexuality by combing through two huge collections of DNA profiles: the UK Biobank and 23andMe. With a reported 9 million users in its database, 23andMe is arguably the most popular, direct-to-consumer DNA testing company on the planet. The UK Biobank was established in 2007 by the medical charity The Welcome Trust as a resource for research. It contains the DNA sequences of 500,000 middle-aged people, who were 40 to 69 years old when they were recruited between 2006 and 2010.

This study pulled the information for 477,500 people across the UK Biobank and 23andMe who had taken a survey about various life behaviors, including whether they had engaged in a sexual experience with a person of the same sex at any point in their life. About 26,800 individuals — or 5 percent of the subjects — fit this description, which is similar to **the percentage reported across society more generally.** All of the subjects consented to this research, including those pulled from 23andMe's archives.

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With this genetic trove available, the researchers conducted what's known as a genome-wide association study, or GWAS. As the PBS NewsHour has reported previously, a GWAS study scans the DNA of hundreds or thousands of individuals, looking for common patterns that correspond with our health or our behaviors. Think of all of humanity as consisting of 7 billion copies of the same book. All humans contain the same words — or individual genes — that make up how we think and how our organs function. But the words in our respective genetic books — or their code — look slightly different. Some of my letters might be red, while some of yours are colored blue. They vary, which explains why we don't look exactly the same nor have the same health. This may sound counterintuitive, but those variations can also share similarities. The books that make up my family look similar to each other — in this example, they contain other shades of red. The same applies if two people have the same height or if we're both bald or if we're depressed. These genetic patterns look more similar among myriad types of groupings and that's what GWAS hunts down. The technique can be used to suss out why certain people (and their particular genetic variations) correlate with health conditions like autism, physical traits like curly hair or colorblindness, behaviors like handedness or emotions like loneliness.

What they found:

This GWAS study found that, like with many human behaviors, sexuality doesn't have a strong genetic backing. When the team looked for DNA patterns that had strong correlations, they found that no one gene could account for any more than 1 percent of people's sexuality. The strongest signals came from five random genes. Two of those genes correlated with same-sex sexuality in males, one of which is known to influence the sense of smell. One gene cropped up for females and two others showed solid patterns in both males and females. But their **individual scores never passed this 1-percent mark** — meaning they are all minor contributors if any to same-sex sexual behavior. "It's effectively impossible to predict an individual's sexual behavior from their genome," said Ben Neale, a

geneticist at Massachusetts General Hospital and the Broad Institute who led the study. They did attempt to examine some elements of this continuum by conducting GWAS analysis on three smaller DNA databases wherein the participants had been surveyed using the Kinsey Scale. The Kinsey Scale is a somewhat infamous test for determining the strength of a person's feelings toward members of the same- and opposite-sexes. In other words, it tries to judge if a person leans gay, straight or bisexual.

The team found genetics cannot explain people's scores on the Kinsey Scale. Bailey did agree with Neale that the debate is now closed on whether any single gene is responsible for sexual orientation. "[Our study] underscores an important role for the environment in shaping human sexual behavior and perhaps most importantly there is no single gay gene but rather the contribution of many small genetic effects scattered across the genome," Neale said.

The main reason I included the argument from science in this segment of LGBTQ+++ is the absolute insistence from many in the community that they were born this way and have no choice. The above proves beyond a shadow of a doubt, that is a lie. You do have a choice and you are making it.

Even if you did have no choice regarding same sex attraction, that doesn't mean you have no choice in acting on it. What if I really want to rob a bank? Or murder my parents? We control our feelings every time we want to punch someone in the nose and don't. Desire is no excuse for behavior.

The argument of "no choice" is one lost morally, biblically, and scientifically. The data on environmental influence in homosexual tendencies is astronomical. Not one study published has ever eliminated the nurture contribution to the equation of same sex behavior. Ever. Not even one. For the last several hundred years the same sex population has floated from 5% -13%. Now it counts to 30% of high schoolers admit to some same sex attraction. Our nations young people are being proselytized by the queer nation and we as Christians are letting them get away with it. We need a revival and we need it now.

In Closing:

The most important factor to keep in mind when witnessing to the LGBTQ+++ community is to first of all convince them that the God of the bible is true, and not their enemy.

This is easier to pull off if you are actually living it.

Start at home. Be the best husband wife father mother son daughter you can be. This community needs Jesus before it's too late, and they are worth the time and effort. **DH**

One final question to the gay community.

If you really believe you have no choice, what are you so proud about? DH

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