1 Corinthians 6:9-11

Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived. Neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor homosexuals, nor sodomites, nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners will inherit the kingdom of God.

Mankind's definition of sexual immorality has changed in each age; some sexual sins have remained consistent for Christians since the law was created, such as fornication, adultery, homosexuality, and sodomy. I chose this scripture from 1 Corinthians 6 because it contains four different sexual sins in one verse. Words are important when we're reading the Bible, and when I see the words "homosexual" and "sodomite" separated by a comma, I know they have two separate meanings. Even if they overlap, there's a difference between these two terms. I've written about this issue in my discourse on The Law of God and Sin in the section about homosexuality. I'd like to expand on this topic and sexual sin in general with additional information that supports my belief.

I use current definitions of words because I believe Bible scripture was intended to be read as a book and not interpreted in 2025; the NKJV version is my primary source of scripture. Here are the current definitions of these four sexual sins:

- Fornication is sexual intercourse between two people not married to each other.
- Adultery is sexual intercourse between a married person and a person who is not their spouse.
- Homosexuality is a person who is sexually or romantically attracted to people of their same sex
- A Sodomite is the pejorative term used to describe two men having anal or oral sex.

"Fornication" and "adultery" refer to intimate relations between a man and a woman, while "homosexuality" and "sodomy" are predominantly viewed as sins associated with men. Adultery is the specific sin highlighted by God in the Ten Commandments in the NKJV Bible and is mentioned multiple times throughout scripture. While adultery is a form of fornication, it additionally encompasses lying and the betrayal of a vow; casual sex between consenting adults constitutes a single sin. Both of these actions are regarded as sins in the eyes of God and hinder one's ability to attain Heaven and salvation. Although adultery is a form of fornication, it also involves lying and the betrayal of a vow; casual sex between consenting adults is regarded as a different sin. Ultimately, all unrepentant sin results in death and judgment. In our society, adultery is typically treated as a civil matter but can be prosecuted as a felony in some states. Society largely accepts and even embraces casual sex. I have been both a fornicator and an adulterer, and I feel shame for my past behavior.

1 Thessalonians 4:3-5

For this is the will of God, your sanctification: that you should abstain from sexual immorality; that each of you should know how to possess his own vessel in sanctification and honor, not in passion of lust, like the Gentiles who do not know God;

The scripture from 1 Thessalonians 4 indicates that Christianity does not prohibit sex, but sexual immorality; engaging in sex outside of a marriage or union is a sin. The core message of the scriptures is that God blesses marriages or unions based on genuine and pure love from the heart, rather than on lust, desire, and fleeting passions. He understands our hearts and minds, discerning whether our vows are sincere, enduring, and from the heart. Experiencing passion and lust is distinct from love, even if they may appear similar at the outset of a relationship. This is what I have learned from reading the scriptures and the Gospel:

- 1. God views all sexual relations outside of a marriage or union as sin.
- 2. All non-consensual sex, even within a marriage or union, is a sin.
- 3. All forms of child abuse, pedophilia, and pornography are perverse sins.
- 4. Jesus issued a New Commandment to love another as he loved us

In John 13:34-35, Jesus was speaking to His male disciples and expressed His deep love for them, which indicates that a loving platonic relationship between men is not a sin. King David loved Saul's son Jonathan as his own soul; they even kissed in scripture. My key takeaway from reading scripture is that there are different types of homosexuals; one experiences true love, and the other is a carnal, sexual creature like a sodomite. The ability to love is more important than who we love. I believe we were created to give our heart to one person.

Two hearts become one in a marriage or union; in a marriage they create one flesh in their children. The purity of love binds two souls together as one regardless of their sex; the church should discern between the righteous and unrighteous members and accept all people seeking salvation without condemnation. Some individuals choose to dedicate their hearts to God, committing their lives to serving the Lord, aligning with the Holy Spirit, and rejecting both sexual and earthly pleasures. For the majority of people, the challenge lies in finding that one special person with whom they can share lasting happiness, particularly in a society that promotes promiscuity and casual relationships. As a result, we often seek romantic partners based on sexual compatibility, selfish desires, and other superficial traits rather than on genuine love, all the while hoping to find the right one. Thine Universal Church believes a homosexual or heterosexual relationship between two souls aligns with God's plan if it's grounded in love, fidelity, and obedience to God's laws. Gay people have always hidden within the church, leading righteous lives and serving Christ. It's only when their sexuality is discovered that they're pushed out of the church.

Genesis 19:4-5

Now before they lay down, the men of the city, the men of Sodom, <u>both old and young, all</u> the people from every quarter, surrounded the house. And they called to Lot and said to him, "Where are the men who came to you tonight? Bring them out to us that we may know them carnally."

Judges 19:22

As they were enjoying themselves, suddenly <u>certain men of the city, perverted men</u>, surrounded the house and beat on the door. They spoke to the master of the house, the old man, saying, "Bring out the man who came to your house, that we may know him carnally!" The two scriptures referenced represent the only instances of potential homosexuality in the Bible, both portraying attempted gang rape by men from the cities of Sodom and Gibeah. The similarities of these attempted rapes suggest that the men of Gibeah can also be classified as sodomites, as both scenarios involve men desiring to engage in sexual acts with other men by force. This situation resembles behavior observed in prisons, where stronger men dominate weaker men sexually. Such practices were also common in ancient Egyptian, Roman, and Greek societies. In these cultures, soldiers raping male enemies served as a method of humiliation and a demonstration of dominance; the dominant male was still viewed as masculine and strong. While scripture identifies a sodomite as a violent homosexual prone to gang rape, the destruction of Sodom occurred 2,000 years before the Apostle Paul used the term; we're not sure what it meant to him. It could serve as a general slur for homosexuals or refer to the dominant male who penetrates submissive men. The term might relate to samesex rape or gay men involved in group sex. It could also refer to a master who has sexual relations with male slaves or boys he owns; these individuals had no rights and were treated as private property. The words of Paul aren't clear.

1 Timothy 1:9-10 - knowing this: that the law is not made for a righteous person, but for *the* lawless and insubordinate, for *the* ungodly and for sinners, for *the* unholy and profane, for murderers of fathers and murderers of mothers, for manslayers, for fornicators, for sodomites, for kidnappers, for liars, for perjurers, and if there is any other thing that is contrary to sound doctrine,

This is the second verse where Paul uses the term "sodomite" in his letter to Timothy. This term appears to function as a slur aimed at men who engage in homosexuality, specifically the initiators and dominant participants in same-sex encounters. Paul also mentions "fornicator" twice in his letters, a term that applies to heterosexual individuals. In Genesis, sodomites are depicted as gay men who serve idols and creatures instead of God. Their sexual actions are characterized by lust, lewdness, and wickedness; they engage in sexual acts solely for pleasure. They were willing to use violence and gang rape other men.

What did Paul mean? What distinguishes a homosexual from a sodomite?

1 Corinthians 7:1-2

Now concerning the things of which you wrote to me:

It is good for a man not to touch a woman. Nevertheless, because of sexual immorality, let each man have his own wife, and let each woman have her own husband.

The term "homosexual" does not appear in the NKJV Old Testament; it first shows up in 1 Corinthians 6:9-11, where Paul discusses sexual immorality within the Gentile church he founded in Corinth. He uses two terms, "homosexual" and "sodomite," to denote different forms of same-sex sins, which should not be difficult to understand. The gang rape of other men constitutes non-consensual sex; it's possible that the homosexual Paul refers to engages in consensual sex with other men, but we don't know for sure. I can be 100% certain that LGBTQ people, like heterosexuals, fall into one of two categories: the righteous and the unrighteous, depending on their behavior and actions. I believe that a gay couple who love God, love each other, obey the law, and serve the church will be blessed; what they do in private behind closed doors is no one's business. Paul reminds us that the true church was never meant to focus on the behavior of people outside its Christian community; those who disregard the Word will face judgment from God. While Paul is not advocating for a complete disregard of immorality, he emphasizes that the law of God is intended for Christians.

1 Corinthians 5:12-13

For what have I to do with judging those also who are outside? Do you not judge those who are inside? But those who are outside God judges. Therefore "put away from yourselves the evil person." (let the wicked be wicked!)

Christians often act hypocritically and self-righteously when they use religion, politics, and the legal system to punish, marginalize, and demonize the LGBTQ community in the name of God. They overlook or ignore the message in 1 Corinthians 5 from the Apostle Paul, which instructs believers to focus on the affairs of the church rather than concerning themselves with those outside the faith. In 1 Corinthians 7, Paul reminds people of God's design for a man and a woman to enter into a monogamous union. It is important to examine the original Greek text's meaning of "homosexual," which Paul is often believed to have referenced in the Bible. This distinction is crucial because the term did not exist until it first appeared in a German pamphlet in 1869. The word used, HOMOSEXUALITÄT, was a German invention. By the 1920s, Berlin became a hub for homosexuals, bisexuals, and transvestites, with numerous nightclubs and meeting points throughout the city. It served as an "Eldorado" for this vibrant community, which included around 50,000 gays and lesbians living in Berlin. In this context, the term was created as an all-inclusive descriptor for same-sex individuals. Paul didn't create the word "homosexual"; if he had, I doubt he would have used it in the same sentence with the term "sodomite", which describes men who use rape other men unless homosexual refers to consensual sex.

Leviticus 18:22-23

You shall not lie with a male as with a woman. It is an abomination. Nor shall you mate with any animal, to defile yourself with it. Nor shall any woman stand before an animal to mate with it. It is perversion.

Men weren't allowed to marry under Jewish law, and we know all sexual intimacy outside of marriage is a sin; this is the only law that Paul knew. If the difference between a homosexual and a sodomite rested on whether it was consensual or not, then Paul's use of the words makes sense to me. God established laws in Leviticus that classify homosexuality as a sin punishable by death. It is generally accepted that God provided Moses with these additional laws. However, it's important to remember that God intended these laws to set the Jewish people apart from Gentiles and their pagan sexual practices. Other sins that warrant the death penalty include child sacrifice, cursing one's parents, murder, adultery, polygamy involving a mother and her daughter, bestiality, and practicing as a medium. Incest and consulting mediums result in exclusion from the community. Currently, murder is the only one of these sins that remains punishable by death. Christians are not bound by the laws in Leviticus, as they were specifically for the Jewish people.

Thine Universal Church defines the divine law of God as intended by Christ. We adhere to the Ten Commandments and the Gospel as our guiding law, drawing wisdom, knowledge, and direction from the lessons and parables of Jesus Christ, the prophets, and the Psalms. God desires that you hear His Word so you can make your own decision about what you believe. Gentiles were not grafted into the vine of Israel to become Jews and follow their laws; we're Christians. Our laws and guidance come from Jesus Christ, not from man; He's the Head of the Body. But I want to continue to examine the words of Paul in the New Testament. Many Christians use his words to assert that all LGBTO individuals are an abomination to God and are condemned to hell. Paul provides much of my scripture regarding salvation and the Holy Spirit, and I enjoy incorporating his words into my discussions. However, when it comes to the laws concerning sin, I must be cautious about interpreting Paul's statements and instead focus on the source of his knowledge and the law—the Gospel of Jesus Christ. I believe that gender or sexual preference should never be a barrier to anyone's participation in the church or their salvation, as long as they adhere to God's Divine law. God judges everything we do by the righteousness of our hearts.

I agree that fornication and homosexuality are both considered sins in the eyes of God. There wasn't a term for marriage between same-sex couples because it didn't exist 3,400 years ago; homosexuality was punishable by death under Jewish law. Sexual encounters between men would have to be well concealed and hidden; homosexuality itself was considered a perverse pagan sexual practice.

Romans 1:24-27

Therefore God also gave them up to uncleanness, in the lusts of their hearts, to dishonor their bodies among themselves, who exchanged the truth of God for the lie, and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever. Amen For this reason God gave them up to vile passions. For even their women exchanged the natural use for what is against nature. Likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust for one another, men with men committing what is shameful, and receiving in themselves the penalty of their error which was due.

Paul includes women in this scripture, and while I acknowledge that it portrays same-sex relationships as unnatural and sinful, it is crucial to clarify that it targets individuals who engage in vile passions and lust rather than true love, opting to serve the creature instead of God. Their behavior resembles that of the sodomites whom God destroyed 2,000 years ago, although it does not involve acts of gang rape. Lust and passion drive their intimacy, making it consensual; therefore, they likely would not be labeled as sodomites. Today, gay men and women who engage in pornography and casual sex describe the individuals Paul was addressing. Their closeness is not real love, and their actions may have consequences; the penalty for this sin is unknown.

I believe the penalty for the behavior of same-sex men in Romans 1:26-27 can be understood as a form of sexual disease. Additionally, those who worshiped the creature also engaged in bestiality, which led God to establish a law against it. I'm not an expert, but this theory may explain the origin of these diseases. During the AIDS epidemic, many Christians misinterpreted this scripture by claiming that God was condemning and punishing homosexuality; this viewpoint was misguided. AIDS primarily affected individuals involved in sexual immorality, which includes engaging in sexual relations outside of marriage. Married women were also at risk due to infidelity from bisexual husbands; thus, the disease spread in marriages and relationships lacking love and commitment. Regardless of sexual orientation, two virgins who marry or enter into a union and remain faithful will avoid exposure to sexual diseases; this reflects God's perfect design for our relationships—to unite with one spirit until death. Some individuals choose to embrace God and the Holy Spirit of Christ as their lifelong partner, much like Paul, who remained celibate and never married. Love is the key to the door of the Kingdom of Heaven, whether you choose to love another person or remain single. John 13:34-35

A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; as I have loved you, that you also love one another. By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another."

When Christians marry and unite in love, they become one spirit together. As a couple, they can join with the Holy Spirit to form a union of three spirits—two individuals and the Holy Spirit—united as one in Christ as a Christian family.

Jude 1:6-7

And the angels who did not keep their proper domain, but left their own abode, He has reserved in everlasting chains under darkness for the judgment of the great day; as Sodom and Gomorrah, and the cities around them in a similar manner to these, having given themselves over to sexual immorality and gone after strange flesh, are set forth as an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire.

The term "homosexual" first appeared in the Bible in the 1946 Revised Standard Version (RSV). This translation replaced earlier terminology with the single word "homosexual," which sparked debates regarding its accuracy. While the contemporary understanding of the term refers to an identity, the biblical expression is more closely related to behavior. Following the RSV's translation of "arsenokoitai" as "homosexual," this term has been translated in various ways over the years: as "pervert" in 1962, "sexual pervert" in 1966, "sodomite" in 1966, and "those who practice homosexuality" in 1978.

The original Greek words used by Paul are "malakoi" and "arsenokoitai." While defining their meaning is a topic of much debate, it is clear that they do not refer to women in any way. These terms describe sexual crimes committed by men.

Malakoi can be defined as "softness." The New International Version (NIV) translates malakoi as "male prostitutes" who take the passive role in sexual relations with other men; they're considered "soft and effeminate." Paul coined the term arsenokoitai, which had not appeared in any ancient writings before his use. The word is derived from two Greek terms meaning "man" and "bed," but Paul did not define this term. Scholars generally agree that in the context of same-sex activities, maybe Paul was describing sex between a dominant man (arsenokoitai) and a submissive male (malakoi) who was either a slave or a prostitute. Christians are free to choose their interpretation of the original Greek words "malakoi" and "arsenokoitai." But it's clear to me that Paul never intended to create an all-inclusive word for gay men; he could have simply referred to Leviticus instead of using different words to describe homosexuals.

Maybe Paul was attempting to describe a specific form of same-sex pedophilia that was prevalent during his time by creating a new word from the Greek terms "arsen" and "koiten." Paul's use of two distinct terms in the same sentence for male homosexuality is unnecessary unless they refer to specific types of homosexual practices or individuals; sodomites are also homosexuals. What is the most accurate translation of this term? It could relate to a form of abuse known as pederasty. This practice was accepted in Greco-Roman cultures, where Romans and Greeks commonly viewed same-sex relationships between adult men and adolescent boys as acceptable, often involving a master-servant dynamic. Prostitution was the other way men could be intimate with young boys.

Romans 2:1-2

Therefore you are inexcusable, O man, whoever you are who judge, for in whatever you judge another you condemn yourself; for you who judge practice the same things. But we know that the judgment of God is according to truth against those who practice such things.

Paul can speak plainly when he wants to, and his words require no interpretation. These scriptures resonate deeply with my spirit, affirming their truth. This verse speaks to the issues of hypocrisy and sin. For instance, a church that condemns all homosexuality while its priests engage in sexual misconduct with young boys exemplifies hypocrisy. Paul understood this type of behavior quite well.

The doctrine of Thine Universal Church is based on the Gospel of Christ and the Ten Commandments, as it should be in every Christian church. Jesus Christ conveyed the final words of God and serves as the source of my knowledge, wisdom, and law. As a former Marine, I was trained to always follow my last lawful order; I apply this same principle to my faith by obedience to Christ.

Paul was a powerful Apostle of Christ, yet he regarded himself as the least of all God's servants because of the significant wrongs he committed against God before his conversion. I see myself in a similar light, as the least of God's servants who has been rescued from the depths and saved by God's grace and the blood of Jesus Christ on the cross. One thing is certain to me: Paul and I are both servants of God, learning from the same Teacher, Jesus Christ. Paul dedicated himself to building the church and spreading the Gospel of Christ 2,000 years ago to as many people as possible. With over 45,000 Christian denominations in the world, I believe that is sufficient. I am not trying to build a church; rather, I am reaching out to the Christians within these churches.

1 Corinthians 1:12-13

Now I say this, that each of you says, <u>"I am of Paul," or "I am of Apollos," or "I am of Cephas," or "I am of Christ." Is Christ divided?</u> Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul?

Paul recognized early on that people would begin to stray from the truth of the Gospel and the glory of God. They started selecting their preferred teachers who spoke words they wanted to hear, leading to disagreements about doctrine and practices within the churches. I want to set aside Paul's words and use the Gospel to understand Jesus Christ's intended stance on the law and sin.

Matthew 5:28

But I say to you that whoever looks at a woman to lust for her has already committed adultery with her in his heart.

We know that Jesus condemns adultery as a sin; He even discourages having sexual fantasies about women, and this rule applies to women as well.

The teachings of Christ are eternal. Does He condemn adulterers to death?

John 8:7-11

So when they continued asking Him, He raised Himself up and said to them, "He who is without sin among you, let him throw a stone at her first." And again He stooped down and wrote on the ground. Then those who heard it, being convicted by their conscience, went out one by one, beginning with the oldest even to the last. And Jesus was left alone, and the woman standing in the midst. When Jesus had raised Himself up and saw no one but the woman, He said to her, "Woman, where are those accusers of yours? Has no one condemned you?" She said, "No one, Lord."

And Jesus said to her, "Neither do I condemn you; go and sin no more."

I love reading the four Gospels, and John is probably my favorite one. Jesus spoke and taught using parables, metaphors, and allegories; it's up to the reader to grasp the exact meaning of His words. Praying to God for guidance and understanding through prayer is essential for believers when reading the Bible. I struggled to comprehend scripture until I prayed for help and received it.

In this verse, Jesus abolishes the death penalty for all sins, and I know many Christians will disagree. I consider myself a simple man who relies on straightforward logic and reasoning. Adultery is listed as one of many sins that led to death in Leviticus. I believe that adultery serves as a metaphor for all sins that are punishable by death, including homosexuality. I don't require any scripture beyond the Gospel; my guiding principle is Jesus Christ. Christians should not condemn others to death, regardless of the sin or crime committed, no matter how heinous or perverse the actions may be.

This <u>lesson of mercy</u> aligns with the 6th Commandment of God regarding murder.

Luke 18:19-20

So Jesus said to him, "Why do you call Me good? No one is good but One, that is, God. You know the commandments: 'Do not commit adultery,' 'Do not murder,' 'Do not steal,' 'Do not bear false witness,' 'Honor your father and your mother.' "

In this scripture from Luke, Jesus reaffirms the Commandments as the law. Matthew 5:17

"Do not think that I came to destroy the Law or the Prophets.

I did not come to destroy but to fulfill.

The law hasn't changed; every sin listed in the Ten Commandments and Leviticus remains punishable by death. The update is tha t man is no longer the judge over the flesh. Christians have simply forgotten that we now have a new judge.

John 5:22-23

For the Father judges no one, but has committed all judgment to the Son, that all should honor the Son just as they honor the Father. He who does not honor the Son does not honor the Father who sent Him.

Romans 2:21-24

You, therefore, who teach another, do you not teach yourself? You who preach that a man should not steal, do you steal? You who say, "Do not commit adultery," do you commit adultery? You who abhor idols, do you rob temples? You who make your boast in the law, do you dishonor God through breaking the law? For "the name of God is blasphemed among the Gentiles because of you," as it is written.

Paul emphasizes that we should not judge or condemn others for sins we also commit; it doesn't matter if it is the same sin. A thief who criticizes an adulterer is guilty of the additional sin of hypocrisy, yet both remain sinners under the law. Hypocrites are immoral sinners, undermining our faith. Paul's views on women in the church are considered outdated and misogynistic today; people have to be careful which words of Paul are applicable to Christians in 2025.

1 Corinthians 14:34-35

Let your women keep silent in the churches, for they are not permitted to speak; but they are to be submissive, as the law also says. And if they want to learn something, let them ask their own husbands at home; for it is shameful for women to speak in church.

We should not regard the words of Paul as law, especially since we have access to the same sources of wisdom and knowledge that he did. It's clear that Paul lived in a patriarchal society and was influenced by Jewish traditions and laws regarding women. Some churches still use his words in scripture as their doctrine.

I've always wondered why God didn't give me the gift of speech and writing. I have a 12th-grade education, and my grammar skills are lacking. Although I have to use other resources to write these discourses, these are my words and thoughts. I'm not proficient at remembering scripture, but I know what's contained in the Bible and can access anything I need in seconds. I believe God is using the adage, "If he can do it, anyone can do the same." I've never considered myself smart or gifted, but I know the Word of God and became His servant. This next scripture is simple to understand and relevant for traditional families. Paul didn't have the foresight to see how women are equal and empowered in 2025!

Titus 2:1-8

But as for you, speak the things which are proper for sound doctrine: that the older men be sober, reverent, temperate, sound in faith, in love, in patience; the older women likewise, that they be reverent in behavior, not slanderers, not given to much wine, teachers of good things— they admonish the young women to love their husbands, to love their children, to be discreet, chaste, homemakers, good, obedient to their own husbands, that the word of God may not be blasphemed. Likewise, exhort the young men to be soberminded, in all things showing yourself to be a pattern of good works; in doctrine showing integrity, reverence, incorruptibility, sound speech that cannot be condemned, that one who is an opponent may be ashamed, having nothing evil to say of you.

1 Corinthians 3:11

For no other foundation can anyone lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ.

I love the Apostle Paul; he's my brother in Christ, and I couldn't navigate my faith without his wisdom and knowledge in scripture. I know which of his words to draw upon; this is a gift of having the Holy Spirit guiding me as I read the messages Christ wants me to hear. I'm reminded of this this verse, John 10:4-5, And when he brings out his own sheep, he goes before them; and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice. Yet they will by no means follow a stranger, but will flee from him, for they do not know the voice of strangers."

We should embrace Paul's clear and wise counsel, particularly the words found in 1 Corinthians 3:11, where he emphasizes that the foundation of our faith is Jesus Christ. Paul consistently sought to bring back those who had drifted away from the true Gospel, often using himself as an example to illustrate that the focus should never be on the shepherd or teacher. Jesus Christ is coming to claim a Church that is not built from stone, gold, or dogmas; it is founded on our faith in the Son of God, whom we cannot see. In 1 Corinthians 1, Paul warns against the disagreements and divisions that can arise within the Church due to differing teachers. He does not want people to identify with him, so he poses two crucial questions: "Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul?" He emphasizes that all glory and praise belongs to God alone. God created the law in the Old Testament to sanctify the Jewish people and separate them from the Gentiles and their sexual practices, rituals, and idol worship.

Leviticus 20:26

And you shall be holy to Me, for I the LORD am holy, and have separated you from the peoples, that you should be Mine.

Jesus Christ is the pattern that all Christians should emulate, and the Gospel serves as the foundation of our law; we obey the Ten Commandments because He instructs us that they are still the law. Jesus also gave us a new commandment: to love one another as He loves us. God entrusted His entire creation to His Son for judgment; He is our new judge, our High Priest, King, and Lord. All Judgment and punishment for sin belong to the Lord. God could have simply included a law condemning homosexuality as a sin, similar to murder or lying, but He chose not to. I acknowledge that homosexuality was prohibited and considered sinful under Jewish law because this was a practice of the Gentiles and those who served Satan; Jews were expected to marry. However, I want to emphasize that Moses himself created a new law because of sexual sin; it did not originate from God. Matthew 19:8-9

He said to them, "Moses, because of the hardness of your hearts, permitted you to divorce your wives, but from the beginning it was not so. And I say to you, whoever divorces his wife, except for sexual immorality, and marries another, commits adultery; and whoever marries her who is divorced commits adultery."

Matthew 15:19-20

For out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies. These are the things which defile a man, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile a man."

Mark 7:21-23

For from within, out of the heart of men, proceed evil thoughts, adulteries, fornications, murders, thefts, covetousness, wickedness, deceit, lewdness, an evil eye, blasphemy, pride, foolishness. All these evil things come from within and defile a man."

In the scriptures above, Jesus lists three sexual sins: adultery, fornication, and sexual immorality. He does not use the terms "sodomite" or "homosexual," which suggests that both are included under the umbrella of sexual immorality, like every other sexual sin. Alternatively, it could imply that Jesus believes gay men and women are fornicators like straight people. Another possibility is that Jesus had the foresight to understand that our choices regarding sexuality do not inherently cause us to sin or exclude us from the Kingdom. Jesus condemns adultery and fornication, as indicated in the scriptures. If homosexuality were something that could be "cured," akin to a sickness or a form of evil possession, I believe that Jesus would have addressed it in scripture and offered it as an example for us to consider. However, he did not.

There's one glaring difference between heterosexual and homosexual immorality that people overlook: only one produces children out of wedlock and unwanted pregnancies. The worst consequence for the gay couple would be the possibility of contracting sexually transmitted diseases, but the straight couple that has sex outside of marriage risks the same thing. Fathers, Stepfathers and Uncles sexually abuse young girls due to heterosexual immorality. Homosexual immorality results in priests raping and molesting young boys in church. God considers all sexual immorality outside of a marriage or union as sin.

Hebrews 13:4 - Marriage is honorable among all, and the bed undefiled; but fornicators and adulterers God will judge. (Maybe the Apostle Paul did have real foresight!)

I agree that the Law of Moses prohibited homosexuality specifically for the Jewish people 3,400 years ago. Jesus had the eternal foresight to know that his words would be used as weapons by self-righteous Christians and servants of Satan against LGBTQ people in this age. We can define sexual immorality beyond just adultery and fornication because each country creates their own laws. Christians exist around the world in diverse cultures and countries that shape their beliefs. I think these are the "differences" in ministries Paul mentions in the Bible, but he also stresses that they must share the same Gospel message. In 2022 a woman was stoned to death for adultery in Christian South Sudan. Christians wrongly hold on to the old laws and doctrines, ignoring the lesson of the Gospel.

Matthew 19:6

So then, they are no longer two but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let not man separate."

This scripture is used to support the sanctity of marriage; I want to highlight that marriage based on genuine love resides in the heart where God is. The glue that binds two souls is love, and we know that God is love; a marriage license or ceremony in a church is for legal matters and the needs of humans, not God. Love unites two souls as one, just as it binds us together in Christ for life. God is the minister over all marriages and unions that have pure and real love; He knows which marriage or union to bless. People become married for many reasons that don't involve love; these unions won't be blessed by God.

We know more about the human body today than 2,000 years ago. Science has made amazing discoveries, and I'm surprised how many of them support the Bible. For instance, our environment can alter our DNA. We still don't know how pollution has affected us or what all of the chemicals we're exposed to and digest do to us on a cellular level. We are victims of our environment, and we've harmed ourselves more than any demon or devil. Science is never in opposition to God; He created it. We're just simple creatures trying to understand creation.

I want to move away from using the terms "homosexual" and "sodomite" and shift the conversation about LGBTQ individuals into 2025. I have a straightforward perspective on the various labels within this community, and I acknowledge that I don't fully understand all the classifications related to gay sexuality. However, I believe everyone is entitled to live their life as they choose, exercising their free will. I tend to see people as either righteous or unrighteous, regardless of their sexual attraction. That said, there is a requirement to be a Christian: you must be monogamous if you're married or committed to someone. If you're single, you have to practice celibacy. Even if someone is bisexual and attracted to both sexes, they should choose one partner; God desires us to connect spiritually with one person, as He understands the feeling of loneliness. The essential point is that two people in love will not commit adultery if their love is genuine. Once a vow is made in the heart, God's intention is for them to remain together for life in love.

Monogamy in a marriage or union, or celibacy if single, is required to obtain salvation and enter the Kingdom of Heaven for both straight and LGBTQ people.

I don't condemn; I don't convert. You're free to choose your path, but if you want to know the type of person who enters the Kingdom, Paul describes a few traits.

Colossians 3:12-13

Therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, put on tender mercies, kindness, humility, meekness, longsuffering; bearing with one another, and forgiving one another, if anyone has a complaint against another; even as Christ forgave you, so you also must do.

Ephesians 4:1-3

I, therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you to walk worthy of the calling with which you were called, with all lowliness and gentleness, with longsuffering, bearing with one another in love, endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

LGBTQ individuals are free to choose how they identify and whom they love. But to follow Christ and bear His cross, they must live as all Christians are called to do; you have to walk worthy of your calling. I wouldn't expect a member of a Christian church to publicly display their sexuality at a Gay Pride festival; such behavior is not appropriate for those who are called to be the elect. One could simply ask, "Is this something Jesus Christ would do?" The likely answer that comes to mind is probably a resounding no. Similarly, I wouldn't expect straight individuals from the church to participate in sexually themed festivals or parades, as it undermines our faith. If you enjoy this lifestyle and believe it is not a sin,

Keep in mind that I am not here to recruit Christians, start a new church, or judge anyone's behavior; I haven't been ordained or anointed by men, and I do not require or accept tithes or offerings as a church would. I'm just a servant and messenger without any agenda other than to spread the Gospel, especially for my large family. I want everyone to pursue their desires in life, but I also hope they understand God and the rules for entering the Kingdom so they can make informed choices. I chose eternal life with God in the Kingdom.

that is your choice. I lived my life of sin for 30 years before I changed my ways.

Although gay marriage has been legal in the United States since 2015, many churches continue to declare that homosexuality is a sin. I have often wondered how the church determines who is gay and who isn't, unless they are informed. Just because two individuals of the same sex live together does not mean they are engaged in a sexual relationship; they may simply share a deep affection without sexual involvement. We know that two men can be deeply in love.

1 Samuel 20:17

Now Jonathan again caused David to vow, because he loved him; for he loved him as he loved his own soul. We don't more than this, but they were close enough to kiss.

1 Samuel 20:41 And they kissed one another; and they wept together, but David more so. I imagine many churches would ban men like this from membership if they observed them kissing in public today; however, that doesn't necessarily mean they're having sex. Our history is filled with men who lived with other men; many of them were accused of being homosexuals and often denied it. How would the church know if two people are actually having sex? Maybe it's a platonic relationship. Who can define an individual's sexuality if they're born attracted to the same sex or intersex? Christianity is based on the principle that our God does not make mistakes; I believe that salvation is offered to everyone whom God creates based on their righteousness and not who they're intimate with. I also believe in holy predestination; Christ knows every person who would be born.

Jeremiah 1:5

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you; Before you were born I sanctified you; I ordained you a prophet to the nations."

Psalm 139:15

My frame was not hidden from You, When I was made in secret, And skillfully wrought in the lowest parts of the earth.

Anti-abortion advocates frequently reference these Old Testament scriptures to support their position against abortion. I used these scriptures to support my belief that every person born into this world is predestined to live, and God created a soul for every child who receives the breath of life. God knew that Jeremiah and King David would be born because He created them to carry out His will; it's arrogant and foolish to believe that humans can disrupt God's plans. I believe aborted fetuses were never meant to be born and receive a soul. I do not think God imparts a spirit to a fetus only for it to be killed and returned to Him. A fetus doesn't require God's assistance to develop in the womb; He's already created and perfected that process. I identify as pro-life for myself and pro-choice for others. Who am I to question who God creates or who He breathes life into? God is the Potter and we are the clay; He creates a soul for everybody. LGBTQ people belong to the God who formed them in their mothers' wombs; they're also His children! Righteousness is the dividing rod of God, not our sexuality. God doesn't forbid sex in a monogamous relationship. This is a lesson of the Gospel.

Romans 9:20-21

But indeed, O man, who are you to reply against God? Will the thing formed say to him who formed it, "Why have you made me like this?" Does not the potter have power over the clay, from the same lump to make one vessel for honor and another for dishonor?

When I claimed in forums that people are born gay, I often received responses blaming same-sex attraction on the devil, mental illness, sexual media, unfit parents, and even books; it's a choice. In my online debates with individuals who identify as "fake Christians," 95% of the time, the response from these people was, "God created man and woman to become one flesh. Period." While this statement is true, it overlooks those who have no choice in their sexual attraction or feelings—individuals formed differently from birth. Christians ignore the evidence and science about sexuality and genders; it's easier to say you're either a male or female heterosexual. That is true for about 80% of the world's population. These same individuals claim that being gay is a choice and that it can be reversed using conversion therapy. I acknowledge that many people in the LGBTQ community may choose same-sex relationships for the enjoyment of sex; maybe these conversion therapies would work on them. However, individuals who are attracted to the same sex will remain so, just as I could never experience sexual attraction toward a man; and I've seen many pretty and handsome men.

Luke 22:28-30

"But you are those who have continued with Me in My trials. And I bestow upon you a kingdom, just as My Father bestowed one upon Me, that you may eat and drink at My table in My kingdom, and sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel."

Generally, when we say that people can be born gay, we are assuming they are 100% male or female based on psychological factors rather than physiological ones. It is a fact that individuals can be attracted to the same sex from birth. I am referring not only to the emotions that individuals feel in their hearts and souls but also to physical sexual differences they're born with. It's estimated that 1.7 out of 100 people born today are intersex, meaning they are neither strictly male nor female. Currently, it is estimated that there are between 80 and 136 million intersex individuals worldwide who fit this description. This category includes several subcategories, such as hermaphrodites. As a youth, I saw photographs of a woman with fully functioning male and female sex organs in a Hustler magazine from the 1970s. She chose to live her life as a woman, as she also had breasts. If you encountered her on the street, you would say she was an attractive woman without knowing she had a functional male organ too.

Intersex refers to a condition where a person is born with physical sex characteristics that do not fit the typical male or female binary. This can include variations in:

- · Genitals: May have ambiguous or mixed genitalia.
- Chromosomes: May have XXY, XXX, or other non-typical patterns.
- Hormones: May have levels that do not align with traditional male or female patterns.
- Internal reproductive organs: May have a combination of male and female organs, such as ovaries and testicles.

Intersex is a natural variation in human biology and is not a disease or disorder. It is estimated to affect 1-2% of the population. People who are intersex may identify as male, female, non-binary, or something else entirely. It is important to respect their individual identities and preferences. (https://www.youngminds.org.uk/)

Even if there were only 8 million intersex people in the world, the fact that they exist tells me that same-sex attraction is not an abomination and sin. Jesus didn't use words describing "same-sex" for a very good reason. Christians need to be aware that you never know what's under the hood, and even if you do, you may not understand what you see. The South African track star, Caster Semenya, is a well-known case involving a woman that was born different from other women.

I'll quote from her Wikipedia page;

Semenya has said that she was born with a vagina and internal undescended testes, but that she has no uterus or fallopian tubes and does not menstruate. Her internal testes produce natural testosterone levels in the typical male range. Semenya has rejected the label of "intersex", calling herself "a different kind of woman."

John 13:14-15

If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have given you an example, that you should do as I have done to you. Caster Semenya is married to her wife. She is a creation of the same God who made us and happens to be in love with a woman. She did not choose the body she was given by God; only she can truly know her inner feelings, and no one can tell her who she should be attracted to. Caster alone determines her sexual orientation and identity. She faced bans on competing in track as a woman because her hormone levels fell within the range typically associated with male athletes. I cannot imagine what it is like to have others dictate who you can love and marry. To claim that a creation of God is condemned and barred from Heaven simply because God created them that way feels like blasphemy to me; why is anyone questioning what the potter creates? The issue with self-righteous, hypocritical Christians is that they tend to group all LGBTO people under the label of "homosexual" without discerning between the righteous and the unrighteous; that distinction matters to God. God created us to experience intimacy with another soul; tell me, is a soul, our spirit, defined by its gender or sex at birth?

Our society has evolved to support the small percentage of the population that chooses not to be defined by their assigned gender at birth or their sexuality. I believe all Christian churches should embrace this change and welcome everyone seeking salvation. When God established the law, His purpose was to cultivate His holy people into a powerful nation. He intended for men and women to come together to bear children, ensuring the continuity of Jewish generations. God honors and blesses marriage, but He wants us to be monogamous and married for life. God never created the law for divorce; He allowed it. Moses created this law at the request of the people. Same-sex marriages that do not produce children do not diminish the sanctity of marriage; rather, it is reinforced by loving gay couples who can adopt. I believe that same-sex couples should consider adopting from the over 100,000 children in America today who need two loving parents and a stable home. God desires a loving Christian home for His orphans.

God created heterosexual men and women to produce offspring together. To my knowledge, no baby has ever been created from a same-sex couple. I am sure that the technology to achieve this goal already exists; if not, AI will likely develop it soon. God would not create gay individuals for the purpose of having biological children; that's illogical and silly. It's worth noting that 80% of all people identify as heterosexual, so we have enough individuals to populate the earth. Abortion bans serve the wicked one's purpose by forcing more children to be born from the sexual immorality of heterosexuals, not gay people. Maybe the church should turn its attention to the source of all this carnal activity and not LGBTQ people. We all have a God-given right to choose who we love and how we live according to our choices, desires, and preferences without condemnation.

Colossians 3:1-7

If then you were raised with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God. Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth. For you died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is our life appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory. Therefore put to death your members which are on the earth: fornication, uncleanness, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. Because of these things the wrath of God is coming upon the sons of disobedience, in which you yourselves once walked when you lived in them.

My spirit tells me that Jesus Christ knew exactly who Caster would become. Whether she realizes it or not, she is glorifying God by revealing a new type of human being that exists between male and female. It doesn't matter whether she is Christian or an atheist; this is how God works His will. She's a well-known athlete that many have heard of. If Caster and her wife sought acceptance in many Christian churches while holding hands or walking arm in arm, they would likely encounter rejection and face condemnation from members. I'm pleased that some denominations have accepted LGBTQ individuals into their congregations; every Christian church should open their doors to all seeking salvation. People shouldn't have to hide who they are; Jesus knows them. How would anyone know who is actually gay unless it was public knowledge? What if a same-sex couple has a close platonic relationship like King David and Jonathan? Should a gay couple have to disclose their personal details for acceptance? No! History tells us that gay people have concealed their identities within society and the church since the church's inception. Instead of condemning an entire group based on a person's choice of partner or gender, the church should discern between the righteous and unrighteous and welcome all people who love God in their hearts.

We're taught by Jesus to love one another; every Christian church should accept LGBTQ people who behave like the other members of their congregations. The church is unaware of what occurs in private and behind closed doors with any member unless it becomes public information or is spread by gossip. LGBTQ people should be given this same privacy, but they must obey God's rules like everyone else. He created intersex humans and everyone else who's born attracted to the same sex; God knew exactly how they would be formed. Ecclesiastes 11:5

As you do not know what is the way of the wind,

Or how the bones grow in the womb of her who is with child,

So you do not know the works of God who makes everything.

Intersex and LGBTQ people have every right to choose their identity, gender, and whom they love. They also have the same right to pursue salvation and eternal life. However, they have to commit to monogamy if married and celibacy if single while adhering to the laws and teachings of Jesus Christ—the narrow path.

Luke 12:15

And He said to them, "Take heed and beware of covetousness, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of the things he possesses."

Christians have to look past the flesh and see the spirit within, and I understand how difficult that can be. The Bible teaches us to focus on the character of a person; we judge righteousness and unrighteousness and use the Gospel of Christ for our law. Only Jesus, not man or clergy, chooses and approves members of His Church with the Holy Spirit. Satan seeks to corrupt everything God has blessed, particularly the sanctity of marriage, by promoting adultery and fornication, which are greater threats to marriages and children than homosexuality. All intimacy outside of marriage or a union is considered a sin and a fundamental tenet of our faith. Thine Universal Church teaches that a man and woman engaging in casual sex commit the same sin of sexual immorality as same-sex individuals who do the same, provided they are not married. This discussion pertains not to the legal aspects of marriage but to the spiritual marriage between two people in love.

Paul and some apostles practiced celibacy, as many do today, because their spirits were joined to the Lord when He chose them; Paul wished that everyone could be like him. Our God never forbade sexual intimacy between two people in love, but it must occur within a monogamous marriage or union to be blessed. Unfortunately, monogamy is not promoted or celebrated in our society; instead, the opposite is true, as having multiple sexual partners is often accepted and normalized, especially for alpha male types. I've practiced monogamy for the last 37 years after having a fair number of sexual partners starting at the age of 15. The wicked one has worked diligently to create this world of sin. While he cannot defeat God, he will take many souls with him to the eternal pit of fire. Satan has fashioned a playground of pleasure for those who follow and serve him, often without their awareness. He cannot promise eternal life; he can only offer death. I believe he has convinced many that God will not return to claim the earth.

1 Peter 4:3-4

For we have spent enough of our past lifetime in doing the will of the Gentiles—when we walked in lewdness, lusts, drunkenness, revelries, drinking parties, and abominable idolatries. In regard to these, they think it strange that you do not run with them in the same flood of dissipation, speaking evil of you.

Sin surrounds us, tempting us to stray from God and the truth. Satan is aware of this reality and understands how it ultimately concludes; that is why he tries to take as many souls with him as possible. He knows that the children of God will inherit the earth, which he temporarily controls. Sexual lust serves as a primary source of pleasure that lures us away from God. It's essential to distance yourself from those who may entice you to return to your previous lifestyle and habits.

1 John 3:10-12

In this the children of God and the children of the devil are manifest: Whoever does not practice righteousness is not of God, nor is he who does not love his brother. For this is the message that you heard from the beginning, that we should love one another, not as Cain who was of the wicked one and murdered his brother. And why did he murder him? Because his works were evil and his brother's righteous.

Thine Universal Church teaches that if a believer doesn't receive the Holy Spirit while living, they won't inherit the Millennial Kingdom of Heaven on earth after death. They'll face the judgment of Christ based on their righteousness and unrighteousness in life. I've always envisioned "scales of justice," where weights or coins represent our deeds in life; evil deeds are significantly larger in size, requiring many good deeds to balance out a single evil one. While I've encountered this concept in movies and literature, scripture does not support it. The Bible teaches us that Christ judges us righteously by our character and intentions because he can read our heart, mind, and soul like a digital recording; nothing is hidden from Him. He understands whether two people are being intimate out of genuine love or mere lust; lust will always be condemned as sinful when it is the driving force of passion. Conversely, love between two individuals will always receive God's blessing, even for same-sex couples; this is my belief.

Some individuals are created differently by God and cannot be strictly categorized as male or female. Intersex individuals exemplify how God forms unique people for His purpose and according to His will. Some people ignore facts and science; others, who are aware of the facts, choose to distort them, perpetuating the same hateful rhetoric. Christians often cite Psalm 139:14 to emphasize God's knowledge of us before our birth in support of their anti-abortion views, while conveniently ignoring these same scriptures when it comes to discussions about LGBTQ individuals. Yes, God is the creator who carefully shapes us in the womb according to His design; He knows the precise number of hairs on our heads. Psalm 139:14

I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made;

Marvelous are Your works,

And that my soul knows very well.

I believe that some individuals choose to embrace a carnal, sexual nature. Their sexual orientation—whether straight or gay—becomes irrelevant if they engage in sexual activity outside of marriage or a committed relationship. Unless the church has a way of knowing what people do in their bedrooms, it is their duty to accept LGBTQ individuals who wish to join and learn about salvation on the cross and God. Historically, gay couples have existed in secret, forming loving and faithful unions for thousands of years. The church needs to focus on the character of its members and not sexuality or gender, especially for people outside the faith.

Leviticus 18:1-3

Then the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, "Speak to the children of Israel, and say to them: 'I am the LORD your God. According to the doings of the land of Egypt, where you dwelt, you shall not do; and according to the doings of the land of Canaan, where I am bringing you, you shall not do; nor shall you walk in their ordinances.

I want to shift away from same-sex unions and discuss some other forms of sexual immorality that pollute our society. It's understood that Jesus granted humanity the ability to define sexual immorality for each era. Adultery is the only sexual sin explicitly designated as a commandment by God in the NKJV Bible. Christians agree on what constitutes immoral behavior, such as pedophilia, rape, child abuse, prostitution, and pornography. Some practices that were banned 3,400 years ago are now legal, with the pornography industry being a notable example. Conversely, some actions that were previously acceptable are now illegal; for instance, we no longer stone or execute adulterers in America. Across the country, states have enacted varying laws regarding sexual offenses and what is permissible. Incest remains legal in two states, and the age of consent varies between 16 and 18 years old, depending on the state. Some foreign countries still enforce outdated laws; South Sudan Christians in Africa are one exa

There are many sins that are not explicitly mentioned in commandments or scripture; however, scripture teaches that all lawlessness is considered sin. Christians know that we are judged based on what resides in our hearts when we violate the laws of God and humanity. Our conscience convicts us and guides us towards doing good, but we ignore it; this was a gift of the New Covenant.

James 4:17

Therefore, to him who knows to do good and does not do it, to him it is sin.

Even in the absence of law, rational individuals recognize their sins because they would not want the same to happen to them; this serves as a moral test. But in cases like mental illness and childhood grooming, people may not know their actions are wrong or hold false beliefs. A man is on death row in 2025, awaiting execution for killing police officers during a shootout at his family home in 2003. He was raised by parents who instilled in him radical ideas. All three were ultimately involved, arrested, and convicted. The parents died in prison, and the son was recently declared competent for execution. He learned everything he knows from unrighteous parents, and while it's possible he knew right from wrong, some people simply lack any empathy for others. At some point, he should understand that killing is wrong, but I have no idea what he thought, nor would I believe anything he says. God is the only one who can judge this sin righteously and know the truth. Parents that teach their children to sin as they do will face additional punishment from God! Proverbs 14:12, There is a way that seems right to a man, But its end is the way of death.

James 4:11-12

Do not speak evil of one another, brethren. He who speaks evil of a brother and judges his brother, speaks evil of the law and judges the law. But if you judge the law, you are not a doer of the law but a judge. There is one Lawgiver, who is able to save and to destroy. Who are you to judge another?

The Bible clearly states that all sin leads to death. Both the liar and the thief are barred from Heaven unless their repentance is accepted and they're forgiven by Jesus Christ. He is the only one who judges mankind and pronounces the sentence for sin. I believe that if God made our laws based on how often He mentions adultery in Scripture and because it is a commandment, He would classify it as a real crime, just like lying or stealing; lying is only a crime if you're under oath in court or before Congress. God says our yes should be yes and our no should be no; the wicked can't be made to tell the truth. A righteous person always tells the truth, while an unrighteous person lies whenever it benefits them. Lying was one of my first sins when I chose to steal; I walked the wrong path for much of my life. I recognize the traits and telltale signs of other liars and how they deceive and manipulate the truth. Lying is a willing partner in almost every other sin because people hide theirs from others. When the wicked one and his followers learn your secrets, they'll use blackmail to control and manipulate you.

Paul instructs Christians to correct their fellow church members instead of passing judgment or showing concern for those outside the church. He's not referring to unbelieving souls outside who are open to hearing the word, but rather the heathens, pagans, and wicked individuals who will never obey the law. The church is not meant to judge, condemn, or resort to violence against the wicked; that responsibility falls to the law of the land. While I acknowledge that there is an element within the LGBTQ community that undermines godly values, it is not any different from the behavior of straight individuals who engage in the same type of festivals and celebrations promoting sexuality. We should also remember that heterosexual immorality creates children and orphans without a traditional family structure. God is more concerned with fornication and adultery than homosexuality because of the devastating impacts on families and children. Here are some 2024 statistics about sexual abuse from www.ussc.gov.

- 93.5% of individuals sentenced for sexual abuse were men.
- <u>55.1% were White</u>, 15.2% were Hispanic, 13.9% were Black, 13.0% were Native American, and 2.8% were Other races.
- 67.0% of individuals in cases involving production of child pornography were White.
- 55.6% of individuals in cases involving travel for prohibited sexual contact were White.

Matthew 18:10-11

"Take heed that you do not despise one of these little ones, for I say to you that in heaven their angels always see the face of My Father who is in heaven. For the Son of Man has come to save that which was lost.

Various sources provide statistics on sexual abuse, but it's crucial to interpret them appropriately. Approximately 63% of sexual abuse cases go unreported. The data from the previous page is valuable, as it reflects actual convictions and sentencing; however, it represents only a small sample of the sexual abuse that occurs but remains unreported. Child sexual abuse is the least reported.

63% of sexual assaults are not reported to police. Only 12% of child sexual abuse is reported to the authorities (NSVRC)

Any type or form of child or youth abuse is a heinous and perverse sin in the eyes of God. Children represent our most precious and treasured heritage. Biblical scripture states that pedophiles, traffickers, sexual abusers, and anyone who harms a child will face the wrath of God and death unless they repent. In 2025, revelations confront us about powerful and wealthy individuals who exploit, traffic, and rape underage girls and boys. This is a story that has persisted throughout recorded history; however, child abuse impacts all classes and races. Wealthy individuals often have the means to evade accusations and legal repercussions far more effectively than those without such resources. Child abuse can take many forms, including neglect of basic needs, exposure to violence, homelessness, lack of education, starvation, malnutrition, disease, forced labor, sexual abuse, and exploitation. Here is data from the National Children's Alliance:

Nationally, neglect is the most common form of abuse. Three-fourths (74%) of victims are neglected, 17% are physically abused, 11% are sexually abused, and 0.2% are sex trafficked.

- * In 2022, a reported 434,000 perpetrators abused or neglected a child. In substantiated child abuse cases, <u>76% of children were victimized by a parent or legal guardian.</u>
- * 1 billion children globally are estimated to experience sexual violence Source: World Health Organization 2022
- * 90% of child sexual abuse victims know the perpetrator in some way. (U.S. Department of Justice)
- *1 in 4 girls and 1 in 13 boys in the U.S. are estimated to experience child sexual abuse Source: CDC 2024

Men are the greatest threat to children, committing 90% of all reported sexual abuse crimes. Transgender women are falsely portrayed as a threat to other females and children in bathrooms and framed as a political issue in 2025.

Mark 9:42

"But whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in Me to stumble, it would be better for him if a millstone were hung around his neck, and he were thrown into the sea. Strangers commit less than 7-10% of all sexual crimes against children, while parents and legal guardians are responsible for over 75%. Female children, who are three times more likely to experience sexual assault, molestation, or rape, face the greatest sexual threat from fathers and stepfathers. Sexual predators use their access to children to perpetrate these sinful, perverse, and criminal acts. The Catholic Church, along with many other churches, has faced challenges in acknowledging and removing guilty clergy; many have been allowed to stay in the church. Paul instructed members of the church to marry if they couldn't control their desires. He hoped people would be celibate, but he never mandated it. We might have seen less sexual sin from behind the altar or pulpit if there weren't restrictions on marriage. Christians filled with the Holy Spirit of Christ will NEVER harm, hurt, or abuse any child or youth; this is what scripture teaches us and what I know to be true. Those who cause a child to stumble in any way deserve death without godly repentance. If they're using the cross and their faith as a shield, it's unforgivable. Individuals who harm children are infected by evil and wickedness, regardless of who they are; their souls are corrupted and filthy.

The same anti-abortion movement bans birth control and access to reproductive care, especially for those who are Black, Brown, or from marginalized communities, while imposing their religious beliefs on others and supporting policies that harm living children. They restrict access to clinics where low-income women can receive proper care. Why would they create a situation that increases births among minorities and the poor? With over 100,000 children available for adoption in the United States today, why isn't the church stepping up to adopt these orphans and support this suffering group within our communities? It appears the goal is to bring as many children into the world as possible from sexual immorality; the majority of these children out of wedlock will probably not be raised according to God's teachings, as He commanded us to do. Our children worship and follow other gods and idols, just like their fathers did in the past.

Deuteronomy 6:6-8

"And these words which I command you today shall be in your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up. You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes.

Children who are not raised according to the Word are susceptible to wicked spirits; they are particularly vulnerable to Satan's influence, especially when they lack a strong Christian foundation and upbringing. Broken families lead to broken individuals and allow evil forces and spirits to sway and influence their children.

Romans 14:8-10

For if we live, we live to the Lord; and if we die, we die to the Lord. Therefore, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and rose and lived again, that He might be Lord of both the dead and the living. But why do you judge your brother? Or why do you show contempt for your brother? For we shall all stand before the judgment seat of Christ.

Our history and data reveals that men pose the greatest threat to children. Shifting blame onto transgender individuals diverts attention from those who are most likely to sexually abuse children. The Catholic Church must face its hypocrisy; it has used its power and influence to hide homosexual priests, pedophiles, and sexual abusers within the church for centuries. Paul told men who couldn't control their sexual desires to marry in 1 Corinthians 7. He told Christians to mind their own business and ignore those outside the church in 1 Corinthians 5, but that scripture is often ignored. I've read the entire Gospel and New Testament, and I couldn't identify any directive from God or Jesus that describes most churches we see today or any political or social mandate to impose the Christian faith on others. I know of the Great Commission in Matthew 28:18-20, which calls Christians to spread the Gospel throughout the world. We are instructed to share the Gospel with individuals willing to listen, respecting their right to choose their path; God is pro-choice! Jesus Christ wants us to choose Him out of love and not fear; joining with the Lord in Spirit is the greatest gift we can receive in the flesh. Love is the core message of the Gospel; God is love. He does not want others to choose for us so we can be judged righteously based on our decisions in life. Our heart and mind serve as witnesses to the truth, acting as a digital recording of our lives from birth, where every thought, action, and word can be replayed.

Whether you're an atheist or a Christian, you belong to God at death; your beliefs don't matter, only your actions in life. I can't be self-righteous or condemn others for their sins when I was just like them; I lived a life full of sexual immorality and sin for most of my years. My sexual sins are in my past and have been forgiven by Jesus; He is the one who justifies and approves me—no one else can. Anyone can choose to step onto the path to salvation and save their soul from death; not only that, but you will have eternal life in the Kingdom of Heaven after death, a gift. But to live after death and obey God, you must sacrifice some things in life.

Each of us must decide whether to fully embrace life, savoring all its pleasures before we age, fall ill, and, with luck, pass away. Or we can forgo some earthly pleasures in exchange for the promise of eternal life in a world without sin. Stating that all intimacy outside of marriage or a union is a sin is a fundamental principle of Christianity. It's a truth worth contemplating if you want to live forever. If you choose to engage in sexual activity, it's advisable to choose one life-mate or companion and maintain fidelity in a monogamous relationship.

Romans 14:12-13

So then each of us shall give account of himself to God. Therefore let us not judge one another anymore, but rather resolve this, not to put a stumbling block or a cause to fall in our brother's way.

If you're still reading this discourse, you're likely curious or interested in learning about God, Jesus, and salvation. I've mentioned that Christians who receive the Holy Spirit of Christ, whether in life or in death, will enter the Kingdom of Heaven as eternal beings. To receive the Holy Spirit, one must cease sinning. Sin is what separates us from God and from salvation; the determination of what constitutes sin rests solely with Jesus Christ. These are rules and laws set by God, our Creator, not by me; you choose whether to follow and obey them. However, be aware that you'll owe God an explanation at judgment, whether you believe in Him or not. The road to the kingdom is narrow, and few will walk it; but if you choose to be righteous, your reward will be beyond anything you can imagine.

I've created this website and written these discourses because I've never taught my children about God, until now; unrighteous people cannot teach righteousness and the Word of God, especially to children. This is something we can all agree on. Matthew 7:18: A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor can a bad tree bear good fruit.

I believe that parents who teach their children unrighteousness and wickedness bear the burden of their own sins as well as those of their children, having exposed them to the evil and corruption of the world. God has always commanded parents to instruct their children in His Word; this is the armor they need to overcome the world and the wicked one. This responsibility was never meant to rest solely with the church. Parents filled with the Holy Spirit are intended to be the primary teachers of their children. Our youth are no longer being taught the true Gospel of Christ and have turned to other gods and idols to covet and worship. This represents one of Satan's most significant achievements.

People who choose to live a carnal life without restrictions will say they'll wait until they're old before they seek God and salvation. The problem is that the moment you entertain that thought, God knows your insincere intention; He'll hold you accountable for it. You also don't know when you'll die; you may not have time to repent. Your fate is determined at death; you either die with the Spirit of Christ and obtain eternal life, or you face judgment. Christians who align with sexual abusers of women, racists, felons, sexists, or pedophiles cannot condemn others on any grounds; yet they will, as hypocrisy is a tool of the devil. All sex outside of marriage or a committed union is a sin; this is one lesson of this discourse. We have the right to choose our path, but not to judge others' choices or force our faith upon them. Jesus will judge both the righteous and unrighteous, whether they're heterosexual or LGBTQ, based on their faith, love, and obedience to His laws. He alone is our righteous judge and jury; and he's coming soon.

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