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> Nobody chooses to have Same Sex Attraction. It is a result of various factors and each person's experience is different. At it's root is pain and unmet needs for love.

Homosexuality is a result of sin in the world, and it is no more heinous in the eyes of God than any other sin (lying, cheating, stealing, murder, gossip, etc.).

Change is possible for those who struggle with Same Sex Attraction through faith in Jesus Christ and the work of the Holy Spirit in the life of the believer who dares to completely surrender and apply the Word of God to every area of his/her life.



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A Resource for Ministers

HOW TO HELP PEOPLE EXPERIENCING UNWANTED SAME-SEX **ATTRACTION**



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HOW TO RESPOND TO A PERSON DEALING WITH HOMOSEXUALITY

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1. Exhibit Unconditional Love -

Demonstrate the unconditional love of Jesus Christ. Remember - it is the Holy Spirit's job to convict of sin, and it is your job to Love.

(John 16:8, John 13:34)

- 2. **Direct them to Jesus** Salvation and a personal relationship with Jesus Christ is necessary for the forgiveness of sins and a transformed life.

 (Romans 10:9-10, 2 Corinthians 5:17)
- 3. **Pray for Them** Pray for them in your private prayer time with God pray that God will reveal His truth to them in His time.



There is power in prayer that is aligned with God's will.
(1 John 5:14-15)

- 4. **Do Not Compromise Your Convictions/Beliefs** Altering what you know to be the truth to 'soften' the message, to not offend, is dangerous.

 Do not fall into the trap of Satan by altering the truth of God's Word. Listen to their story to demonstrate that you care, then speak to them in love using the Scriptures to convey the truth.

 (2 Timothy 3:16, Hebrews 4:12)
- 5. Be Ready to Share Scriptural

Truth (If They Ask) - When a person dealing with Homosexuality asks you about what the Word says about this sin, you can be assured that the Holy Spirit is working with them and they are ready to hear the truth.



Be sure to share these scriptures in context and reiterate that homosexuality is no greater sin than any other.

Leviticus 18:1-30 [18:22]

Leviticus 20:1-27 [20:13]

Romans 1:16-32 [1:26-27]

1 Corinthians 6:1-11 [6:9-10]

6. Surround Them with Loving

Support - A person who chooses to walk away from a life of homosexuality needs a lot of emotional support.

Same Sex Attraction is a result of pain and unmet needs for love, and a person who makes the difficult choice to walk away and align their lives with the Word and will of God needs a lot of support (practical and emotional) from Christian brothers and sisters who will encourage and hold them up until they get firmly on their feet.

7. Provide Resources/Support

Visit www.DBarrMinistries.org for links to book resources, web sites, other Ministries and Support Groups specializing in helping people understand and heal from the effects of Same-Sex Attraction.