

Homosexuality

1. God condemned Sodom and Gomorrah for their homosexuality. It is sin. Gen. 18:20–21. And the Lord said, “Because the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah is great, and because their sin is very grave, I will go down now and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry against it that has come to Me; and if not, I will know.”

2. Sodom and Gomorrah were destroyed on account of their unrepentant homosexuality. Gen. 19. Gen. 19:4–5. Now before they lay down, the men of the city, the men of Sodom, both old and young, all 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.” **Gen. 19:24–25.** Then the Lord rained brimstone and fire on Sodom and Gomorrah, from the Lord out of the heavens. So He overthrew those cities, all the plain, all the inhabitants of the cities, and what grew on the ground.

3. The example of Sodom and Gomorrah is given as a warning for people of all ages. God holds homosexuals fully accountable for their sin. 2 Peter 2:4–10. 2 Peter 2:6–10. And turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah into ashes, condemned them to

destruction, making them an example to those who afterward would live ungodly; and delivered righteous Lot, who was oppressed by the filthy conduct of the wicked (for that righteous man, dwelling among them, tormented his righteous soul from day to day by seeing and hearing their lawless deeds)—then the Lord knows how to de-liver the godly out of temptations and to reserve the unjust under punishment for the day of judgment, and es-pecially those who walk according to the flesh in the lust of uncleanness and despise authority. They are pre-sumptuous, self-willed. They are not afraid to speak evil of dignitaries. **Jude 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.

4. God's wrath is revealed against all of the godlessness and wickedness of men—including homo-sexuality. Rom. 1:18–32.

5. Paul describes homosexuality as a wicked perversion of God's gift. Rom. 1:26–27. 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.

6. The wicked—including homosexuals—will not inherit the kingdom of God. 1 Cor. 6:9–10. 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.

7. There is hope for homosexuals—God forgives and cleanses persons of this sin. 1 Cor. 6:11. And such were some of you. But you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus and by the Spirit of our God.