

Must God Destroy a Nation Whose Government Tolerates or Encourages Homosexuality and Lesbianism

Introduction

This article will answer the following questions based upon the commandments and principles of the Holy Bible.

1. Is the belief that “gays” should have the freedom to freely associate in America morally sound or lawless thinking?
2. Are same sex relations so uniquely sinful that God must destroy a nation if it doesn't make a federal law against “gay sexuality” or “gay marriage”?
3. Does God expect the US Federal Government or state governments to make and enforce laws against “gay marriage”?

“Same-sex” sexual relations are one of many expressions of the sin nature

Genesis 2:24 and Ephesians 5:31 make it clear that homosexuals or lesbians can't ever really be married in God's mind. God has sanctioned marriage to be between the opposite sexes. Government legalization of “same-sex marriage” will never legalize this perverted institution in the eyes of Holy God. Only a mind twisted and depraved by sin believes otherwise. “Same sex acts” will always be sin. (Leviticus 20:13; Leviticus 18:22; 1 Corinthians 6:9, Romans 1:24-27; Galatians 5:19-21; Revelation 22:14-15; Genesis 13:13; Genesis 19:1-26; Luke 17:28-30; 2 Peter 2:6; Jude 1:7)

Why will “same sex acts” always be sin?

Leviticus 18:22 and Leviticus 20:13 initialized God's feelings for us towards homosexuality.

If a man also lie with mankind, as he lieth with a woman, both of them have committed an abomination: they shall surely be put to death; their blood shall be upon them.

Thou shalt not lie with mankind, as with womankind: it is abomination.

1 Corinthians 6:9-10 explain that “*abusers of themselves with mankind*” are unrighteous people who will not inherit the kingdom of God. 1 Timothy 1:10 describes these people as those that “*defile themselves with mankind*”. “*Abusers of themselves with mankind*” refers to sodomites. A sodomite refers to, among other things, someone who practices unnatural sex with someone of the same sex.

*Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor **abusers of***

themselves with mankind, Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God.

For whoremongers, for them that defile themselves with mankind, for menstealers, for liars, for perjured persons, and if there be any other thing that is contrary to sound doctrine;(1 Timothy 1:10)

In addition, Romans 1:18-27 mentions people who dismiss God after he has given them an opportunity to honor and glorify him. In repayment for their willful apostasy, God surrenders or turns them over to indulge the unclean lusts and vile sexual passions of their hearts. They dishonor their own bodies between themselves; sexual indecent women burn in lust for other women and unclean men lust for men.

Galatians 5:19-21 teaches that “the works of the flesh are adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, envying, murders, drunkenness, and revellings (letting loose, carousing, wild partying). Anyone who practices these things without repentance will not inherit the kingdom of God.

Uncleanness and lasciviousness are just two of the many expressions of sinful human nature listed by the Apostle Paul. Uncleanness is defined as moral impurity foulness, filthiness, dirtiness, or lewdness. Lasciviousness is defined as sexual looseness; irregular indulgence of animal desires; wantonness; lustfulness. “Gay” sex between homosexuals or lesbians is an unnatural, disgraceful, passionate expression of sexual uncleanness and lasciviousness.

Comparing homosexuality and lesbianism to other sins

While some professing Christians attack homosexuals and lesbians, others inside and outside the professing Christians church of the Lord Jesus Christ find it difficult to condemn “gays” for their sexual preference. For one reason or another; maybe because they’ve known a homosexual or lesbian who was a genuinely nice person or something, some find it impossible to accept the biblical truth about “gays”.

It’s true that a practicing homosexual or lesbian may be a loving, joyful, peaceful, patient, kind, gentle, faithful and self controlled person. He or she may be successful in their work and a financially responsible member of their community. According to God’s word, however, their sexual behavior is unnatural. “Gay sex” is unnatural in the sense that it can involve the unspeakable indulgence of vile, filthy, foul, twisted, animalistic desires.

We must understand, however, that the scripture doesn’t tell us that the works of the flesh listed in Galatians 5:19-20 are ranked from least to greatest or from greatest to least in God’s mind. Because of this fact, I believe that we are left to conclude that these sinful expressions of fallen human nature are equally offensive to God. Some of these

sins may be more offensive to us than others are; however, if we take this list at face value, it appears that each of these sins is equally offensive to God.

A close look at Romans 1:28-32 lends credence to the idea that each of the works of the flesh is equally offensive to God. According to scripture, the wrath of God isn't only aroused against unrepentant homosexuals and lesbians practicing "gay" sex or "gay marriage". God's wrath will be against all unrighteousness. In addition to the homosexuality and lesbianism that can fill the reprobate minds and lives of those who refuse to obey and glorify God, Romans 1:28-32 tells us that the castaway, rejected, morally worthless reprobate minds of those refusing to repent of their sin and obey Jesus Christ as God and Savior are described as being filled with all unrighteousness, fornication, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, debate, deceit, malignity; whisperers, backbiters, haters of God, spiteful, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents, without understanding, covenant breakers, without natural affection, implacable, and unmerciful.

Revelation 22:14-15 also supports the idea that all the works of the flesh listed by the Apostle Paul are equally offensive to God. This passage teaches that those who practice God's commandments will enter the gates of the city of God, while sorcerers, and whoremongers, and murderers, and idolaters, and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie will not enter heaven's gates. The whoremonger crowd won't consist only of those who unrepentantly indulge indecent, lewd lust for the same sex. It will also include those who unrepentantly practice all forms of unlawful indulgence of sexual lust.

We must accept the truth that as unclean, indecent and lewd same sex relations are, they truly aren't peak sinfulness! It's not unrepentant "gays" facing the worst of God's wrath! It's those persecuting and rejecting ambassadors of the everlasting gospel of God who will! Listen to Matthew 10:14-15 carefully please. In those verses, Jesus said those who rejected his apostles and reject those who preach the true gospel will face a judgment worse than that of the citizens of Sodom and Gomorrah on judgment day! Hating the saints is worse in God's eyes than morally tainted love.

Is that shocking to you? Didn't God make an example out of Sodom and Gomorrah because of their rampant homosexuality? Certainly! The New Testament teaches us that is exactly what God did! When a high concentration of a specific sin or sins is being flaunted in a territory, such as was the case in Sodom and Gomorrah, God is painfully grieved. (Genesis 18:20) His holy anger is aroused against the sin. God is fair, however; he won't destroy the righteous with the wicked. (Genesis 18:25) He will somehow preserve any righteous remnant within that territory as he destroys the wicked. (Genesis 18:26-32)

And turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrha into ashes condemned them with an overthrow, making them an ensample unto those that after should live ungodly; (2 Peter 2:6)

Even as Sodom and Gomorrha, and the cities about them in like manner, giving themselves over to fornication, and going after strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire. (Jude 1:7)

Other reasons God will destroy a group of people besides homosexuality

The scriptures, however, speak of other nations that God has or will destroy for reasons other than rampant, unrepentant homosexuality. Here's a partial list of biblical references illustrating other reasons why God has destroyed, or plans to destroy, a group of people in a specific territory.

- The world of Noah's time due to violence associated with unjust gain. (Genesis 6:13)
- God's people for unrepentant apostasy in turning from obedience to the Lord. (Leviticus 26:13-38; 1 Kings 1:1-9)
- God's people for idolatry and adulterous, heterosexual sin. (1 Corinthians 10:1-14; Numbers 25:1-9)
- The Canaanites and other communities for their false religious practices and idolatrous disregard of God and his laws. (Numbers 21:2-3; Exodus 34:11-16)
- The people and kingdom of Babylon the Great for violence, moral impurity, persecution of God's people, demonic religion, covetousness, idolatry, pride, self-glorifying luxurious living and morally corrupting the world. (Revelation 17:1-6; Revelation 18)
- The fourth and final global beast kingdom for destroying God's earth. (Revelation 11:17-18)

There are many other types of sin and sinners who actively destroy life either through rapid hard kill or slow soft kill methods. Stealth "desk murderers" abound in these United States and throughout the world.

Although, homosexuality is clearly not the only reason God brings devastating judgment upon nations, some conservatives remain hesitant to about support a candidate for public office who isn't a "gay-basher". They fear the judgment of God will fall upon the nation as it did in Sodom and Gomorrah if the federal government doesn't take a hard stand against homosexuality. Thank God our survival as a nation doesn't hinge upon how much the federal government hates homosexuals, homosexuality, sins, or sinners. If this thinking was true, America and all other nations would have been burned up many years ago.

The idea that a candidate for POTUS must take a hard stand against homosexuality in order to be qualified to be President has no biblical basis. New Testament scripture doesn't teach us to mistreat, arrest, imprison, silence, or kill a person for choosing to be "gay".

Just because someone doesn't want to make something illegal doesn't mean that they believe that it is right. There are many things in this world that there may be no law against that aren't morally acceptable to God. In general, there are no laws in our states against fleshly works like idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, strife, seditions, heresies and envying. Just because a society doesn't frame a law against something doesn't imply that the society or God believes that thing to be morally acceptable. Our rebellion and indifference never negates God's law. Our lawlessness never makes God lawless. God's tolerance of our sin doesn't mean that he believes that our sin is acceptable to him. God doesn't need the state to frame a law against homosexuality in order for him to be able to save homosexuals. So why do we think that the POTUS must be "hard-core anti-gay".

The power to overcoming the sin of homosexuality, lesbianism, or any other sin doesn't lie in God's law. Salvation and sanctification are works of God's grace. We aren't converted by force of law. Faith in the goodness of God leads us to repentance. His law makes us aware that we are guilty lawbreakers in need of his forgiveness and cleansing. God will allow people to indulge themselves while he patiently waits for them to respond to the conviction of sin his spirit brings. He keeps them alive and cares for them even while they live in indifference to him.

Conclusion

As beneficial as the righteous life of her President, the legal foundation of her Constitution, and biblically based laws would be to these United States, America's escape from the righteous judgment of God doesn't rest upon these things. God will withhold national judgment upon a nation if a holy remnant stands for righteousness. (Genesis 18:26-32) The hope of a morally corrupt nation rests upon the righteous lives of God's people.

The prophet Micah succinctly explains the righteousness God is looking for as follows:

He hath shewed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the LORD require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God? (Micah 6:8)

The prophet Isaiah expressed it this way:

Wash you, make you clean; put away the evil of your doings from before mine eyes; cease to do evil; Learn to do well; seek judgment, relieve the oppressed, judge the fatherless, plead for the widow. (Isaiah 1:16-17)

The physical existence of America the Great doesn't depend upon the repentance of the "gay" community or any other group of people priding themselves in sin. We will be destroyed as a nation when God can't find within the professing American church a

humble remnant practicing righteous living, compassionate mercy, truthful justice, and practical charity. The destruction of America will occur at that point in our national history when God's people no longer intercede for mercy upon our nation for its violence, moral impurity, persecution of God's people, demonic religion, covetousness, idolatry, pride, self-glorifying luxurious living and moral corruption of the world. (Revelation 17:1-6; Revelation 18)