

Sunday Morning

June 7, 2015

AND GOD SAID: VOL. I – ORIGINS GOD'S LOVE FOR HOMOSEXUALS

GENESIS 19:1-13

INSIGHT: Genesis 3 and 4ff reveal the origin of sexual sin and its rampant spread.

I. REPENTANCE CALLED FOR IN THE CHURCH

1. Ask forgiveness.
2. Be open to homosexuals seeking to learn.

II. WHAT GOD THINKS OF HOMOSEXUALS

God loves homosexuals just like He loves you and me (*John 3: 16; Ephesians 2:4*).

III. GOD DELIVERS OUT OF A SINFUL LIFE (*1 Corinthians 6:9-11, NLT*).

INSIGHT: If you are at "The Hill" for the first time, welcome to a bunch of ex-sinners!

INSIGHT: God's desire for every homosexual is that the sexual behavior be part of their past.

IV. LIKE ADULTERY, HOMOSEXUAL SEX IS A SIN.

1. Effeminate = one who takes the role of the opposite sex
2. Homosexual = sodomite or one who has sex with men

INSIGHT: Genesis 19 identifies homosexual sin as one of the oldest sins of Hell and God identifies it as a perversion of His original intent for men and women.

V. HOW ACCEPTANCE OF HOMOSEXUAL SIN HAS COME

1. Succeeding generations of Christians lack Bible knowledge of God's view of sex.

INSIGHT: It is totally unsupportable biblically that God made any man or woman gay.

*Homosexual sex departs from God's blueprint for mankind in two ways:

- a) Instead of embracing the man-woman design, homosexual behavior embraces a man-man, woman-woman preference.
- b) It flies in the face of every biblical prohibition on homosexual sex: Leviticus 18:22 (NLT), 20:13 (Msg); Romans 1:25.

*Two types of commands in the Old Testament:

- a) Time-bound commands referring to the sacrificial system that passed away with Christ.
- b) Timeless commands of the moral code that are still in force as long as the earth stands.

2. Psychologist Sigmund Freud, 1881: "Homosexuality is a psychological sickness."

3. Harlock Ellis, 1930's: "Homosexuality is hereditary, producing geniuses."

4. Albert Kinsey, 1942-53: "Homosexuals are so many we might as well accept it and live with it."

INVITATION: Deuteronomy 23:1 = man's problem; Isaiah 56:3-5 = God's cure.

TAKE AWAY: DENY THE PROBLEM AND YOU DENY THE CURE.