

# The Old Paths

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## “Getting Comfortable With Homosexuality”

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is not the case.

**I**n the continuing efforts made by men to make homosexuality “accepted”, and “normalized” in our society, a video entitled, “If This Video Makes You Uncomfortable, Then You Make Me Uncomfortable” has been produced. The gist of this “silent” video is that someone behind the camera (i.e., you) has met a male friend. This man and “you” go to the amusement park together, spend time with friends (male/female), cry at the death of this man’s loved one, spend time with each other’s family, etc. “You” and this man are the best of friends. At the end of the video, this man shows a ring to the camera, and it is evident that he is proposing marriage to the one behind the camera. At this point, the camera pans back to show that the one behind the camera the whole time was another man. This man accepts the proposal of marriage, and all family and friends rejoice.

It is evident that the point of this video is to skew folks’ thinking so as to accept homosexual behavior as a normal part of life, as these two men and their respective friends and family celebrated the proposal. Also, if this video “makes you uncomfortable”, then there must be something wrong with you. The movie’s producer even put in the title, “You make me uncomfortable.”

This video is just another piece of propaganda, where homosexuals and their supporters are trying to “normalize” an act which God has condemned (Rom. 1:26-27; I Cor. 6:9-10). After all, something that makes so many people happy cannot be sinful, wrong, or unnatural, can it? Sadly, such propaganda is not only found on the internet, but also in our school systems, on television, in the workplace, and in many other places. What men used to publicly (and many still “privately”) recognize as wrong has been pushed out into the open, and folks are made to feel guilty, made to feel like they are “unkind”, “mean-spirited” and the like for being opposed to the sin of homosexuality. After all, “If This Video Makes You Uncomfortable, You Make Me Uncomfortable”!

### The Problem — Emotional Responses to Sin

In justifying the sin of homosexuality, we see that the folks either engaged in it, or those defending the practice have resorted to an emotional response and appeal. The fact is that these folks, like any other false teacher, have learned that the argument justifying homosexuality cannot be won based upon the facts. For example, the facts are that the sin of homosexuality has been condemned by God throughout the Bible. Read Leviticus 18:22, 20:13; Matthew 19:4-6; Romans 1:26-27; I Corinthians 6:9-10, 7:2-5 and Jude 7 and see if this

Another fact is that it takes a male and a female in order to reproduce and populate this earth (Gen. 1:26-28, 4:1-2, 5:4; etc.). If homosexuality was a way of life for everyone on this earth, the population of earth would be gone in one generation! This is one of the reasons why God calls homosexuality “*against nature*” — because it is (Rom. 1:26-27)!

There is no true rebuttal to these facts. Therefore, those who favor the sin of homosexuality will say that those of us who oppose this sin are “unkind,” “mean-spirited”, “intolerant,” a “homophobe,” and the like. Folks have compared homosexuality to one’s genetic makeup like skin color or eye color. In spite of the fact that God said homosexuality is “*against nature*” (Rom. 1:26), folks will still respond by asking, “Did you CHOOSE to be a heterosexual person? Did you CHOOSE your skin color or eye color?” No, one does not choose to be a heterosexual person, have a certain skin color or eye color, because this is natural. When one goes “*against nature*”, however, it is a choice one made.

Another emotional response is seen when folks talk about the happiness one experiences when being homosexual. This tactic was used in the internet video mentioned earlier, and is seen in other media as well. Yet, is one’s happiness the standard for determining right and wrong? Of course, not! The standard for determining right and wrong is God’s word (Jn. 17:17, 12:48-50; I Pet. 4:11). The apostle Paul said that at one point in his life, “*I thought within myself to do many things contrary to the name of Jesus of Nazareth*” (Acts 26:9). In other words, it made him happy to fight against Chris-

tians and imprison and kill them. Did this make him right or pleasing to God, though? You know the answer, friend!

### The Solution — Call Homosexuality What It Is!

As we can see, in this controversy concerning homosexuality, what has gotten lost is the fact that we are not calling it what it is anymore! Due to emotional arguments, the shouting of “intolerance”, or being a “homophobe,” and now even the so-called “hate-speech” legislation in many places, folks are not calling homosexuality what it is.

Let us come to terms with the fact that homosexuality is sin! It is a transgression of God’s will (I Jn. 3:4). For example, please note that homosexuality is listed among such sins such as unrighteousness, fornication, adultery, theft, drunkenness, swindlers, and the like (I Cor. 6:9-10). Homosexuality is listed in an even longer list of sinful behavior in Romans 1. Therefore, let us get things right and call homosexuality what it is — sin! Despite man’s attempt to justify it; despite man’s attempt to “normalize” it; despite man’s attempt to outlaw our free speech; the fact is that homosexuality is a sin, and it will condemn man just like any of the other sins listed in I Corinthians and Romans. Dying guilty of any of these sins will result in folks being lost in Hell (Rom. 1:32; I Cor. 6:10). No amount of wishes, cries of “intolerance”, emotional appeals, or new laws will change this fact.

### An Experiment

If you cannot tell, the internet video mentioned above really bothered me. It bothered me because I see a how people are using certain methods so as to win people to their side when they do not

have the truth of God’s word on their side. When I read what God has to say about homosexuality, then it bothers me that they might be winning some hearts — even some Christians’ hearts — by the videos, and other sob-stories meant to win folks to their side.

Thus, let us conduct an experiment and replace homosexuality with other sins, and see if it makes sense to advertise them as “normal” as has been the case with homosexuality.

For example, what would we think of a video that endorsed drunkenness by portraying it as “fun”, “normal,” “what everyone does”, and the like? What a minute, the alcohol companies do this already in their advertisements. Further, there have been many movies made through the years that glamorize drunkenness.

How about taking the sin of adultery, and doing as the homosexuals have done and presenting it as “normal,” an “expression of love”, and the like? Oops, this has already been done in books, TV, movies, and all other media forms.

How about .... Never mind.

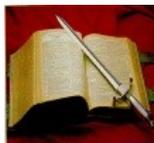
### Conclusion

Seriously, where are the videos, books, and TV shows glamorizing child abuse? Polygamous marriages (there is one TV show that does)? Idolatry, and so forth? Truly, these things will be justified when enough “famous” people wish to do them. I’d suggest that the false religion of Islam is another example of a sin that is continually pushed in our faces by the government, the school systems, television, and the like. Where will it end? I know not. Paul said, *“Evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived”* (II Tim. 3:13).

The fact is that in a time when Biblical knowledge decreases, is when sinful behavior increases, and these types of behaviors are the result. Rather than folks being outraged at the glamorization of a sexual sin like homosexuality, or any other sin that becomes “popular with the masses,” those outraged are portrayed as “kooks,” “extremists,” “intolerant”, and in the case of the internet video, people who make others “uncomfortable”!

Today is the time to stand up and be counted. Let us today teach our children what God says concerning sexual sins, and all other types of sins (Eph. 6:4). Teach them the difference between the holy and the unclean (Ezek. 44:23) while we still can! (Rom. 13:12, 14)

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