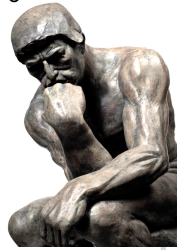


Honoring Gods

Order in Relationships

Thinking Clearly
About Sex



What does the Bible say?

1. We were made for **RELATIONSHIPS**. -Gen.2:18-25
2. We were given clear **BOUNDARIES**. -Lev.18:22;20:13

But you don't understand!

1. I was **born** ___ this way (orientation)
2. I had **no** ___ choice! (preference).
3. It's **my** ___ choice! (cultural expression)

1st Key Principal: In every area of life we have the option of honoring God! I can **ALWAYS** adopt His standard.

How would you respond?

Leviticus 18:22 & 20:13 are often quoted as a part of the conversation about homosexuality. But what about the Levitical verses forbidding working on the Sabbath, wearing clothes with mixed fabric, tattoos and haircut regulations? If those are "cultural laws" is the same true of the ones forbidding homosexuality?

Romans 1:22-28

"They... exchanged" - "therefore God gave them over"... vs. 22-23
"They... exchanged" - "God gave them over"... vs.25-26
"Their women (and men) exchanged" - "He gave them over"... vs.27-28

2nd Key Principal: Don't blame culture or biology and **GUARD** your heart. -Matthew 5:19-20

3rd Key Principal: Agree with God's standards but don't **GO BEYOND** ___ them!

4th Key Principal: Walk **HUMBLY** ___ and treat others with the **GRACE** you know that you deserve! -John 4

Used metaphorically in Scripture, "the heart" does not represent the emotions or feelings, as it generally does in our modern usage, but rather the whole thinking process, including especially the will and man's motivation.

"The MacArthur Commentary", Romans 1-8 page 101

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