THE BOOK OF ROMANS

(Some material may not be suitable for young children today.)

Romans 1:21 (NIV) "For although they knew God, they neither glorified him as God nor gave thanks to him, but their thinking became futile and their foolish hearts were darkened."

Romans 1:24 (NIV) "Therefore God gave them over in the sinful desires of their hearts to sexual impurity for the degrading of their bodies with one another."

Romans 1:26 (NIV) "Because of this, God gave them over to shameful lusts. Even their women exchanged natural sexual relations for unnatural ones."

Romans 1:27 (NIV) "In the same way the men also abandoned natural relations with women and were inflamed with lust for one another. Men committed shameful acts with other men, and received in themselves the due penalty for their error."

Romans 1:29 (NIV) "They have become filled with every kind of wickedness."

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Sexual impurity (v. 24).
           Idolatry (v. 24).
     Homosexuality (v. 24-28).
            Greed (v. 29).
          Depravity (v. 29).
            Envy (v. 29).
           Murder (v. 29).
            Strife (v. 29).
           Deceit (v. 29).
           Malice (v. 29).
           Gossip (v. 29).
           Slander (v. 30).
         God-haters (v. 30).
           Insolent (v. 30).
          Arrogant (v. 30).
          Boastful (v. 30).
Inventing ways of doing evil (v. 30).
 Disobedience to parents (v. 30).
       Senselessness (v. 31).
       Faithlessness (v. 31).
       Heartlessness (v. 31).
       Ruthlessness (v. 31).
       Approving evil (v. 32).
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Romans 1:32 (NIV) "Although they know God's righteous decree that those who do such things deserve death, they not only continue to do these very things but also **approve of those who practice them**."

HOW GOD DEFINES WHAT'S RIGHT AND WRONG...

First: God created us to be either male or female.

Matthew 19:4 (NIV) "'Haven't you read,' he replied, 'that at the beginning the Creator 'made them male and female ...'"

Second: God says marriage is between a man and woman.

Matthew 19:4-5 (NIV) "'Haven't you read,' he replied, 'that at the beginning the Creator 'made them male and female,' ⁵and said, 'For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh'?"

Third: God says sex is to be saved for marriage.

Matthew 19:5 (NIV) "[Jesus] said, 'For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh.'"

WHY IS SEXUAL SIN SO DESTRUCTIVE?

Genesis 2:24-25 (NIV) "That is why a man leaves his father and mother and is united to his wife, and they become one flesh. ²⁵Adam and his wife were both naked, and they felt no shame."

1 Corinthians 6:18 (NLT) "Run from sexual sin! No other sin so clearly affects the body as this one does. For sexual immorality is a sin against your own body."

HAVE CHRISTIANS MISINTERPRETED WHAT THE BIBLE TEACHES ABOUT BEING GAY?

1st - Romans 1:26-27.

Romans 1:26-27 (NIV) "God gave them over to shameful lusts. Even their women exchanged natural relations for unnatural ones (para physin). ²⁷In the same way the men also abandoned natural relations with women and were inflamed with lust for one another. Men committed indecent acts with other men, and received in themselves the due penalty for their perversion.

2nd - 1 Corinthians 6:9.

- **1 Corinthians 6:9 (NIV)** "Do you not know that the wicked will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived: Neither the sexually immoral nor idolaters nor adulterers nor male prostitutes nor homosexual offenders (arsenokoitai) ..."
- **1 Corinthians 6:10 -11 (NIV)** ". . . nor thieves nor the greedy nor drunkards nor slanderers nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God. ¹¹And that is what some of you were. But you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God."

3rd - 1 John 4:8.

1 John 4:8_b (NIV) "God is love."

Romans 5:8 (NIV) "But God showed his great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners."

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