



## You Asked For It: Can I be gay and be a good Christian?

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1. Can someone be gay and be a good Christian? Yes.
2. What did **Lev. 18:21**, **Rom. 1:26,27**, and **1 Cor 6:9,10** have in common BESIDE the listing of sins? What was the point Pastor Andrew took from them?
3. What does the list found in **1 Corinthians 6: 9,10** include besides homosexual sex? How can we ignore the other items on the list? How have we made one sin on this list worse than others? In fact, all sins are equal. How does this change our views?
4. “Our passions don’t give us permission to act on our desires.” When have you experienced the conflict of something you were passionate about but knew you couldn’t have? Share, if you are willing.
5. If you love someone or something, does that give you permission to pursue it? Share examples you have experienced.
6. For many, we allow our jobs, families, and for some our sexuality determine our identity. While each of these things are important, they do not tell us who we are and who we belong to. How is your identity formed? In what ways do you need to recalibrate your own identity?
7. Do you have any predispositions in your life? If you are willing, share about them in the group.
8. Can any predisposition prevent me from being a “good” Christian? (No, Jesus makes us a good Christian)
9. Who/what determines the “**good**” Christian?
  - a. **Doing** right before God? Why or why not?
  - b. **Being** right before God? Why or why not?
10. How can/do we allow the Holy Spirit to keep our desires in check?
11. Christians are people of Truth and Grace. What does Grace without Truth look like?
  - a. Truth without Grace? When have you encountered these extremes?
12. **Galatians 6:2** says to “carry one another’s burdens.” Who do you know that has a burden you can help carry? Who can help you carry yours?