

HOMOSEXUALITY

The claim has been made that homosexual practice on a private level in no way assaults the standards and morals of the Christian religion. “We have the right to do as we please in the privacy of our homes,” shout its advocates. And yes, they possess this right by civil law. But civil freedom does not make their actions morally permissible. Unnatural sexual behavior still falls under the condemnation of God’s righteous moral law. The apostle Paul wrote:

The wrath of God is being revealed from heaven against all the godlessness and wickedness of men who suppress the truth by their wickedness, since what may be known about God is plain to them, because God has made it plain to them. . . . 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. . . . Therefore God gave them over in the sinful desires of their hearts to sexual impurity for the degrading of their bodies with one another. They exchanged the truth of God for a lie, and worshiped and served created things rather than the Creator—who is forever praised. Amen. Because of this, God gave them over to shameful lusts. Even their women exchanged natural relations for unnatural ones. In 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 (Romans 1.18-19, 21, 24-27).¹

And Moses wrote: “Do not lie with a man as one lies with a woman; that is detestable” (Leviticus 18.22). As in days past, homosexual practices remain detestable today.

So any spokesperson for homosexuality, privately or publicly, is one who speaks against the God-given, biological function that is a physical, and spiritual, union of male and female.

And homosexuality defies God’s command to reproduce and propagate the human race (Genesis 1.28). One cannot favor these deviant practices and fail to attack the morality of the Bible.

¹Scripture quotations are from *New International Version: Spirit of the Reformation Bible*, General Editor, Richard Pratt (Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan, 2003).