

HOW PROHOMOSEXUALS INTERPRET THE BIBLE

The Holy Bible was written by men divinely inspired and is the record of God's revelation of Himself to man. *Carroll College*

We believe in the divine inspiration and authority of the Scriptures. *PLB*

We believe that the Bible is the divinely inspired Word of God. *H. Cathedral of Hope MCC*

The eternal God reveals Himself to us as Father, Son, and HS, with distinct personal attributes, but without division of nature, essence, or being. *C*

We bel in the one God revealed a eternally existing in 3 equal persons, the Father, the Son and the HS. *P*

We bel in one triune God, omnipotent, omnipresent, and omniscient, of one substance and of three persons. *H*

X is the eternal Son of God, taking upon Himself human nature and identifying Himself completely with mankind yet without sin. *C*

We bel that JC is true God and true man. *P*

We bel that J the X is God incarnate, fully God and fully human. *H*

The HS is the Spirit of God. *C*

We bel in the HS as a divine Person. *P*

We bel that the HS is God. *H*

No mention of justification. *C*

We bel that men are justified by grace through faith. *P*

We bel that every person is justified by grace to God through faith in JC. *C*

Haven't considered some areas of doctrine, church, future, man, sin but in these basic areas similar. How conservative homos are related to background. Charismatic homo churches, liberal ones, and conservative ones.

Sodom, Gen. 19:1-11

v.5 "know"= get acquainted with them, examine their

credentials to be sure they were not spies. 943 x in OT; only 12 of sex. But v. 8 know=sex, usually translated sex (NKJ know carnally in v 5 and know in v 8) since people today don't remember that know=sex. Lot offered daughters bec of Eastern importance of hospitality. So sins were rape and inhospitality on part of the mob. Lot said they wanted to do something wicked, v 7. Offer of his daughters was wrong but perhaps Lot thot it was the lesser of 2 evils. True there were other sins in Sodom, pride, gluttony, insensitivity to poor (Ezek 16:49, Jude calls the action that night "going after strange flesh." (v.7).

Mosaic Law, Lev. 18:22; 20:13; Deut.23:18 (prohibits using money from male or female prostitution to pay for an offering.)

These are commands concn rituals, not morals. These had to be obeyed to acceptably perform the rituals of law but these are not related to moral purity. Wishful thinking. Would that distinction apply to other sins in the context--adultery, 20, child sacrifice, 21, bestiality, 23.

Or say all law not kept by Xns so how can we single out homo? We permit eating rabbits, certain fish, pork, Lev 11:6,7,9, clothes of linen and wool, Deut 22:11. So, do away with all of law.

But not commands repeated in NT. And Law can be used lawfully, 1 Tim 1:8-10.

NT teaching

Jesus. Matt 19:12, eunuchs from birth=born homo or lesbian. But see vv 4-5, M and F, Joined to wife.

Paul, Rom 1:26-27, 1 Cor. 6:9.

Rom explanations. (1) Ag abuse or intemperate practice of proper homo and lesbian acts like abusing alcohol.

(2) Refers to temple prostitution, not same-sex love (emphasis on word love).

Note: degrading (vile), unnatural, indecent (shameful). Also note homo and les only part of a list which includes 29-32.

1 Cor 6:9. Effeminate-men and boys who allow selves to be

used. Passive. Catamite=boy kept by a pederast (but the purpose is to have same sex acts and love. Homo refers to active in homo relations. Homo say both words refer to those who "use their sexuality for personal gain."

Is this genetic? So what? Can't use that as excuse for succumbing and excusing homo. What to do if have genetic predisposition to heart problems? You fight it, watch diet, exercise.

The kind, Excluded, Involved or Immersed

Is recovery possible? 30-90%. First step is sal, 1 Cor 6:11. 2nd step is decide to break its mastery by dedicating body to Lord (rest of chpt and includes adultery addiction). Perhaps catalog those with this problem in 3 categories. (1) interested, perhaps experimented but would not call selves homos. (2) included under label but non practicing and/or in closet. (3) involved or immersed, practicing. Perhaps recovery is to retrace those steps with will power and HS power.

Our attitude. It's a sin condemned in Scriptures. But so is covetousness, adultery, gossip, pride, arrogance, unloving, unmerciful. 2 Tim 2:25-26 "with gentleness, correcting those who are in opposition, if perhaps God may grant them repentance leading to the knowledge of the truth and they may come to their senses and escape from the snare of the devil, having been held captive by him to do his will."