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Subject: I am a homosexual Christian, and I need help!

Dear Dr. Ryrie: I am a devoted Christian, putting Jesus first in my life. However, I am gay. I know what God's Word says about this subject, and I agree with it. The important point to note is that I do not want to be gay. It feels like something that has been "forced" on me, because I do not want to be this way. I urgently need help, as I am becoming desperate and very suicidal. Can you please help me? --Marlon S.

Dear Marlon:I'm sorry that I have no easy formula that will guarantee deliverance. You have taken a major step in wanting to be free from your homosexuality. Too many are content to remain in that lifestyle and not even consider that it is wrong. There are groups that seek to help people change. I think your best course of action is to seek a local pastor's advice as to a good counselor to see or a local group to which you could attach yourself. If the pastor does not know whom to advise, then try several other pastors. You might also think of seeing a good internal medicine physician or an endocrinologist who could be sure your physical body is in balance or who might want to prescribe something for depression and feelings of suicide. I certainly pray that you will find some help and, ultimately, freedom.



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