



What does the Bible say about LGBTQ+?

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Romans 1:18, 21-22, 25-27, 29-32

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2. "True-self".
3. "Tolerance" and "Love"

1 Corinthians 6:9-11

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Asking for a friend... What does the Bible say about LGBTQ+?

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LGBTBQ+ stands for: Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Transsexual, 2/Two-Spirit, Queer, Questioning, Intersex, Asexual, Ally, + Pansexual, + Agender, + Gender Queer, + Bigender, + Gender Variant, + Pangender, + Gender fluid, + Age fluid.

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The Created Order.

Genesis 1:27-28 NLT So God created human beings in His own image. In the image of God He created them; male and female He created them. ²⁸ Then God blessed them and said, “Be fruitful and multiply. Fill the earth and govern it. Reign over the fish in the sea, the birds in the sky, and all the animals that scurry along the ground.”

Genesis 2:18 NLT Then the Lord God said, “It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper who is just right for him.”

Genesis 2:23-24 NLT “At last!” the man exclaimed. “This one is bone from my bone, and flesh from my flesh! She will be called ‘woman,’ because she was taken from ‘man.’” ²⁴ This explains why a man leaves his father and mother and is joined to his wife, and the two are united into one.

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Leviticus 18:22 NLT “Do not practice homosexuality, having sex with another man as with a woman. It is a detestable sin.

Romans 1:18 NLT But God shows His anger from heaven against all sinful, wicked people who suppress the truth by their wickedness.

Romans 1:21-22 NLT Yes, they knew God, but they wouldn’t worship Him as God or even give Him thanks. And they began to think up foolish ideas of what God was like. As a result, their minds became dark and confused. ²² Claiming to be wise, they instead became utter fools.

Romans 1:25-27 NLT They traded the truth about God for a lie. So they worshiped and served the things God created instead of the Creator Himself, who is worthy of eternal praise! Amen. ²⁶ That is why God abandoned them to their shameful desires. Even the women turned against the natural way to have sex and instead indulged in sex with each other. ²⁷ And the men, instead of having normal sexual relations with women, burned with lust for each other. Men did shameful things with other men, and as a result of this sin, they suffered within themselves the penalty they deserved.

Romans 1:29-32 NLT Their lives became full of every kind of wickedness, sin, greed, hate, envy, murder, quarreling, deception, malicious behavior, and gossip. ³⁰ They are backstabbers, haters of God, insolent, proud, and boastful. They invent new ways of sinning, and they disobey their parents. ³¹ They refuse to understand, break their promises, are heartless, and have no mercy. ³² They know God’s justice requires that those who do these things deserve to die, yet they do them anyway. Worse yet, they encourage others to do them, too.

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“Our culture has accepted two huge lies. The first is that if you disagree with someone’s lifestyle, you must fear or hate them. The 2nd is that to love someone you must agree with everything they believe or do. Both are nonsense.” - Phil Robertson, Duck Dynasty

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1 Corinthians 6:9-10 NLT Don't you realize that those who do wrong will not inherit the Kingdom of God? Don't fool yourselves. Those who indulge in sexual sin, or who worship idols, or commit adultery, or are male prostitutes, or practice homosexuality,¹⁰ or are thieves, or greedy people, or drunkards, or are abusive, or cheat people—none of these will inherit the Kingdom of God.

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"Sin is not hurtful because it is forbidden, it is forbidden because it is hurtful." Benjamin Franklin

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1 Corinthians 6:11 NLT Some of you were once like that. But you were cleansed; you were made holy; you were made right with God by calling on the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God.

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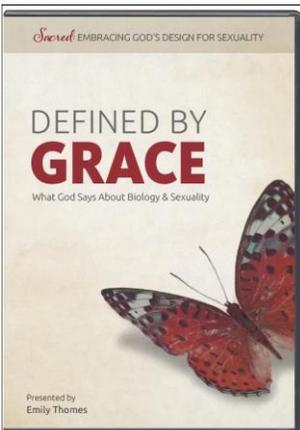
2 Corinthians 5:17 ESV Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

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John 8:10-11 NLT Then Jesus stood up again and said to the woman, "Where are your accusers? Didn't even one of them condemn you?"¹¹ "No, Lord," she said. And Jesus said, "Neither do I. Go and sin no more."



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St Joe Church of Christ is a place where sinners of all sorts, whether fornicators, or liars, or adulterers, or prostitutes, drug addicts, or gossips, or thieves, or drunks, or greedy people, or homosexuals, could come and experience the life-changing love and grace of God.

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