

Scripture References

God's Created Intent

Genesis 1:26-27 "Let us make mankind in our image, in our likeness." ...So God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.

Genesis 2:18-24 (NKJV) ¹⁸ And the LORD God said, "It is not good that man should be alone; I will make him a helper comparable to him..." Then the rib which the LORD God had taken from man He made into a woman, and He brought her to the man... Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and they shall become one flesh.

Ephesians 5:31-32 (NASB) ³¹ For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and shall be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh. ³² This mystery is great; but I am speaking with reference to Christ and the church.

Old Testament Scriptures Referencing Homosexuality

Genesis 19:4-7 (NLT) ⁴ But before they retired for the night, all the men of Sodom, young and old, came from all over the city and surrounded the house. ⁵ They shouted to Lot, "Where are the men who came to spend the night with you? Bring them out to us so we can have sex with them!" ⁶ So Lot stepped outside to talk to them, shutting the door behind him. ⁷ "Please, my brothers," he begged, "don't do such a wicked thing.

Leviticus 18:22 (NIV) ²² "'Do not have sexual relations with a man as one does with a woman; that is detestable.

Leviticus 20:13 (NIV) ¹³ "'If a man has sexual relations with a man as one does with a woman, both of them have done what is detestable. They are to be put to death; their blood will be on their own heads.

Concerning Transgender

Isaiah 45:9 (NLT) ⁹ "What sorrow awaits those who argue with their Creator. Does a clay pot argue with its maker? Does the clay dispute with the one who shapes it, saying, 'Stop, you're doing it wrong!' Does the pot exclaim, 'How clumsy can you be?'

Romans 9:20 (NLT) ²⁰ No, don't say that. Who are you, a mere human being, to argue with God? Should the thing that was created say to the one who created it, "Why have you made me like this?"

What Did Jesus Have to Say?

Matthew 19:4-6 (NASB) ⁴ And He answered and said, "Have you not read that He who created them from the beginning made them male and female, ⁵ and said, 'For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh'? ⁶ So they are no longer two, but one flesh. What therefore God has joined together, let no man separate."

Mark 7:20-23 He went on: "What comes out of a person is what defiles them. For it is from within, out of a person's heart, that evil thoughts come – sexual immorality [porneia], theft, murder, adultery, greed, malice, deceit, lewdness, envy, slander, arrogance, and folly. All these evils come from inside and defile a person." [Porneia: Catch-all phrase to represent all sexual immorality outside marriage – including LGBTQ]]

The Apostle Paul

Romans 1:26-27 (NLT) 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.

1 Corinthians 6:9-11 (NLT) ⁹ 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. ¹¹ 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.

1 Timothy 1:9-10 (NIV) ⁹ We also know that the law is made not for the righteous but for lawbreakers and rebels, the ungodly and sinful, the unholy and irreligious, for those who kill their fathers or mothers, for murderers, ¹⁰ for the sexually immoral, for those practicing homosexuality, for slave traders and liars and perjurers—and for whatever else is contrary to the sound doctrine