- I. Homosexuality is a sin, Gen.19; Lev.18:22; Rom.1:26,27; 1Cor.6:9; 1Tim.1:10; 2Pet.2:6; Jd.7.
 - A. As a phallic sin, the Word of God (WOG) labels it as abnormal perversion, Rom.1:26,27 "For this reason God gave them over to dishonorable passions, for their women exchanged the natural function for that which is against nature (παρὰ Θύσιν, para phusin) and in the same way also the men abandoned the natural use of the woman and burned in their desire towards one another, men with men committing indecent acts and receiving back in their own persons the due penalty of their error (they reap the error of the homosexual lifestyle, i.e. AIDS).
 - B. It was the principal sin which led to the violent and total annihilation of prosperous Sodom and Gomorrah, Gen.18:49; Gen.18:20-29.
 - 1. This once fertile area (Gen.13:10) has remained a blighted, barren, uninhabited, dry, denuded and hot desert as a warning to all who would practice their perversion, 2Pet.2:6 "He condemned the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah to destruction by reducing them to ashes, having made them an example to those who would live ungodly thereafter."
 - 2. From this historical precedent and incident came the term "sodomite", 1Kgs.22:46, and the legal term to describe this activity is sodomy.
- II. It was a capitol offense under the Mosaic Law, Lev.18:22 "You shall not lie with a male as one lies with a female; it is an abomination" (i.e. it is especially disgusting. Remember that when you see 250,000 deviates marching in New York during Gay Pride Week!).
 - A. The criminal penalty was capital punishment, Lev.20:13 "If there is a man who lies with a man as those who lie with a woman, both of them have committed a detestable act; they shall surely be put to death. Their blood guiltiness is upon them."
 - B. Certain kings of Israel are remembered for shutting down the houses of the male sodomites.
 - 1. Asa, 1Kgs.15:11,12; cp. 14:24.
 - 2. Jehoshaphat, 1Kgs.22:45,46.
 - 3. Josiah, 2Kgs.23:7. Compare these reformers' acts with Deut.23:17, which deals with cultic prostitution.
- III. A "lawful" and abiding value of the Mosaic Law is to teach that homosexuality is a crime punishable by death, 1Tim.1:8-10 "But we know that the Law is good, if one uses it lawfully, realizing the fact that law is not made for a righteous man but for those who are...homosexuals (ἀρσενοκοίτης, arsenokoites)...and whatever else is contrary to sound teaching."
 - A. We live in an era when society is programmed to consider this perversion acceptable, normal, and non-criminal.
 - B. A part of sound teaching is to point out that this perversion is the same evil, before God, as it ever was.
- IV. It is listed as flagrant reversionism and the royal chain of command is to expel any believer practicing this sin, 1Cor.5:4-13.
- V. Homosexuality is a sin for which there is forgiveness, Mk.3:28.
 - A. Christ died for all sins.
 - B. The homosexual therefore can be saved, 1Cor.6:11.
 - C. The believer who practices this STA (sinful trend of Adam) activity loses SG₃ (reward in eternity), not salvation, 1Cor.6:9,10.
- VI. A part of God's posture against this activity is disease.
 - A. Scripture, Rom.1:27b "receiving back in their own persons the due penalty of their error"; cp. 1Cor.3:16,17 for the believer.
 - B. Historically God has judged phallic carnality through social diseases.
 - C. The current epidemic of AIDS among the homosexual population is proof of this.
 - D. Principle: "God is not mocked" (i.e. with success).

- VII. Homosexuality and the last days, 2Peter and Jude.
 - A. Enoch first prophesied of false teachers who would advocate this evil as normal, Jd.4,7,12-16; 2Pet.2:1,6.
 - B. God is especially out to get them, 2Pet.2:10.
 - C. The perverted phallic crowd is described as indulging in "gross immorality" (ἐκπορνεύω, ekporneuo) and "going after strange flesh", the Greek of Jd.7.
 - D. They distort grace into lasciviousness, Jd.4 (i.e. gay so-called churches).
 - E. These people are described as "dreamers (ἐνυπνιάζομαι, enupniazomai) who defile flesh (promote phallic reversionism by teaching the new morality, gay rights, lesbian rights) reject authority (womens' liberation) and scoff at glories (reject divine essence, creation, angels, hypostatic union, resurrection, SG₃, etc.)", Jd.8; 2Pet.2:10,11.
 - F. They flatter and encourage one another in evil, Jd.16; cp. Rom.1:32; notice how certain talk show hosts pit a pervert against an establishment minded person.
 - G. Their judgment:
 - 1. Preceded them, 2Pet.2:3.
 - 2. Is not idle (unnecessarily delayed) nor asleep, 2Pet.2:3.
 - 3. Is like that of animals led to slaughter (those in America are in the trap of nuclear annihilation), 2Pet.2:12.
 - 4. Will be with fire, 2Pet.2:6.
 - 5. Will not include believers, 2Pet.2:6-9.
 - 6. Has a precedent. The angels of Gen.6, the flood generation, the inhabitants of Sodom and Gomorrah, and the Exodus generation, Jd.57.
 - H. The holy angels do not engage in a verbal rebuke of Satan but say "*The Lord rebuke you*", Jd.9,10; 2Pet.2:11. Likewise, we should keep our mouths shut and Faith-Rest them to God's discipline.

VIII. Conclusion.

- A. Homosexuality (and lesbianism) is a sin, a criminal offense, and an abnormal sexuality activity.
- B. Divine judgment is seen in disease, authorization for government to administer the death penalty, and the overthrow of whole segments of the human race (cities, nations and civilizations).
- C. Homosexuality and a society's acceptance of it is a major sign that the fifth cycle is near. Lev. 26.
- D. Practically every segment of American society is pro-sodomy (the NEA, entertainment world, courts, clergy, women's' lib, government via its anti-discrimination policy with respect to hiring, medical profession, etc.).
- E. The practitioners and promoters of this evil seek to exploit you with false statements, 2Pet.2:3.
- F. Stay with what the WOG says on this subject (no matter what some sexologist, doctor, lawyer, talk show host or sodomite says).
- G. Remember the exhortation of Jd.17-25 as you await the Lord's return, and take every thought captive for obedience to Christ, 2Cor.10:3-5.

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